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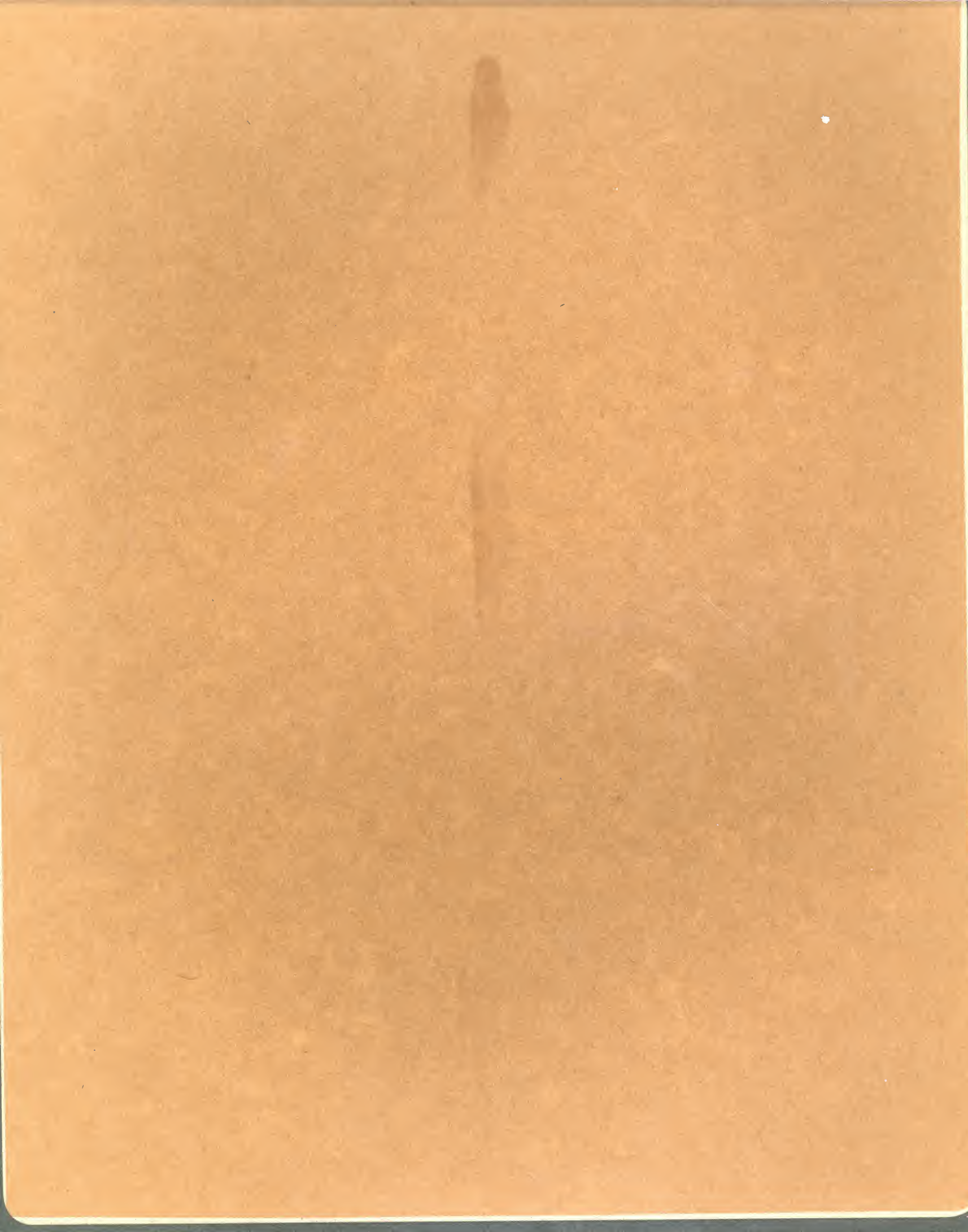
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Dr. Elva A. Wright
6340 Brompton Road
Houston, Texas

Dear Doctor Wright:

I am pleased to hand you herewith the wording for a paragraph in your will that I believe will accomplish the purpose you have in mind in making a gift to the Texas Medical Center.

The wording has been adopted from the suggestion prepared by our attorneys for use by any person wishing to make a gift to the Center with the addition however, of the special provisions to accomplish the purpose you have in mind.

If this does not suit you or you wish to talk it over further please feel free to call me as I will be very happy to help you in any way I can.

Sincerely,

Assistant to the President

B:s
Enclosure

Suggestion for the will of
Dr. Elva A. Wright

"I give, and bequeath to Texas Medical Center, Inc.,
a Texas corporation, the sum of Five Thousand Dollars
(\$5,000.00). Said gift shall be used and applied by
Texas Medical Center, Inc., within the State of Texas,
to further special medical study in the subject of
tuberculosis. I leave to the discretion of the Texas
Medical Center, Inc., Board of Trustees how the income
from said gift shall be used, ^{desire that} but it is my hope that it
^{it} can be used to assist students and doctors specializing
in the study of tuberculosis."



DR. ELVA A. WRIGHT

Salute of Honor To Be Given To Dr. Elva Wright

Program Will Pay Tribute
to Antituberculosis
League Founder.

Dr. Elva A. Wright, for many years president of the Houston Antituberculosis League, will be honored at a public meeting at the Baylor University College of Medicine Auditorium at 8 p.m. Wednesday.

Mayor Oscar Holcombe will participate in the "Salute of Honor" program, as well as members of the City Tuberculosis Hospital, the Harris County Medical Society and the Texas Medical Center.

High light of the program will be the presentation of a portrait of Doctor Wright, which will be accepted by Mayor Holcombe for the city's new Tuberculosis Hospital, construction of which is to start this year, according to a recent announcement by the mayor.

Scholarship Provided

Announcement of a scholarship fund, which has been provided for in Doctor Wright's will for the purpose of postgraduate study in tuberculosis, will be made to the Texas Medical Center by Doctor Wright. The presentation will be made to Dr. E. W. Bertner, president of the center.

Dr. Richard H. Overholt, internationally known thoracic surgeon of Boston, will deliver an address on "Surgery's Place in Treatment of Pulmonary Tuberculosis."

Coming to Houston in 1910, Doctor Wright has been practicing medicine here for the past 38 years.

Organized League

She organized the Houston Anti-Tuberculosis League November 1911, at a meeting in the old Rusk settlement house.

While attending Northwestern University in Chicago, as a member of the Lake County Tuberculosis Association of Illinois, Doctor Wright became interested in the treatment of tuberculosis.

She later studied in clinics in London, Edinburgh, Scotland, and Vienna.

"The first Christmas Seal campaign here in 1913, netted a total of \$500, which helped pay the cost of one nurse," Doctor Wright said, in looking back over the years.

The next year's sale was doubled, and the returns steadily mounted until the campaign this year is expected to reach a goal of \$110,000.

Tribute to Dr. Wright

A GENTLE and gracious lady whose life has been one of devotion to the cause of afflicted humanity will be honored at a public meeting to be held in the auditorium of the Baylor college of medicine Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Nearly 38 years ago, in November, 1911, Dr. Elva A. Wright, who had come to Houston the year before, organized the Houston Anti-Tuberculosis league. She had previously become interested in tuberculars as an active member of the Lake County Tuberculosis association in Illinois while attending Northwestern university.

In 1913, the first Christmas seal sale to be held here netted just \$500. This year the sale is expected to reach a total of \$110,000. Thanks largely to Doctor Wright's enthusiasm, the passing years have shown a steady increase in the facilities for the treatment of tubercular patients, and in a short while, Mayor Oscar Holcombe has announced, Houston will have a splendid new tuberculosis hospital.

One may safely say that hundreds, possibly thousands of lives have been saved in Harris county as a direct result of activities inspired by Doctor Wright.

The "salute of honor" Tuesday evening will constitute a tribute to a truly great woman from her colleagues in the medical profession.

Dr. Wright Paid Tribute On TB Fight

A tall, white-haired lady, who for two hours Tuesday night as seven men praised her pioneer work in battling tuberculosis.

THEN SHE presented a portrait of herself to hang in the proposed tuberculosis hospital in the Texas Medical center, and started a scholarship fund for postgraduate study in tuberculosis.

She is Dr. Elva A. Wright, who has been fighting tuberculosis in Houston and in Harris county since 1910.

SHE HAS BEEN the only president of the Houston Anti-Tuberculosis league, which she founded in 1911, and is past president of the Texas Tuberculosis association.

And she is consultant emerita of the city-county tuberculosis hospital.

The tribute to Doctor Wright was held in the auditorium of the Baylor university college of medicine.

DR. DENTON KERR, president of the Harris County Medical society, said:

"She has fought against all odds and kept going. We will not give up the fight she started. And when the fight is ended, above it all will be the name of Elva Wright."

Dr. Richard H. Overholt, Boston tuberculosis surgeon and the principal speaker Tuesday night, said:

"SHE HAS DONE a great work in organizing all groups of society in this fight."



DR. ELVA A. WRIGHT
Tribute to a Fighter

R. H. Spencer, who introduced Doctor Wright, said:

"Through her great work and the credit is mostly hers, the tuberculosis death rate here has dropped more than 50 per cent."

Mayor Oscar Holcombe, who accepted the portrait of Doctor Wright for the city, said:

"The major credit for the largest tuberculosis hospital in the country, to be built here in the medical center, should go to Doctor Wright."

"In a manner, she will be the patron saint of the hospital."

Dr. E. W. Bertner, president of the medical center, who accepted the scholarship, said:

"The fight against disease is never-ending. Doctor Wright respects this fight and wants it to go on."

Then Doctor Wright spoke. "You give me credit. But my program (tuberculosis) is work of thousands."

Doctor Bertner announced that two checks had been received to add to the Elva A. Wright scholarship fund.

Dr. Elva A. Wright To Be Honored at Program

The public health committee of the Houston Chamber of Commerce will join with other medical and health groups to honor Dr. Elva A. Wright, a long-time member of the committee, at a program January 18 in the auditorium of Baylor University College of Medicine.

Dr. John Roberts Phillips, chairman of the program committee for the "Salute of Honor" to Doctor Wright, invited the cooperation of the Chamber group in the event. Dr. Denton Kerr, president of the Harris County Medical Society, will be chairman of the meeting, and Dr. Richard Overholt will be principal speaker. Doctor Wright will be introduced by Judge R. H. Spencer. A picture of Doctor Wright will be presented to the Tuberculosis Hospital, and a scholarship fund for post-graduate work in tuberculosis will be presented by Doctor Wright. Mayor Oscar Holcombe will accept the picture, and Dr. E. W. Bertner will accept the scholarship fund.

Dr. Elva A. Wright To Be Honored For Fight Against TB

A "salute of honor" will be given Dr. Elva A. Wright, leader here in the fight against tuberculosis, at a public meeting 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the auditorium of Baylor University college of medicine.

Among those who will gather to honor Doctor Wright, who has been president of the Houston Antituberculosis League for many years, will be Mayor Oscar Holcombe, as well as members of the City Tuberculosis Hospital, the Harris County Medical Society and the Texas Medical Center.

Dr. Wright Plans Scholarship For Research on TB

Project Announced
at Dinner Honoring
Health Work Leader.

Dr. Elva A. Wright, founder and president of the Houston Antituberculosis League, Tuesday night announced plans to project her pioneer work in tuberculosis prevention and control into the future through establishment of a scholarship for research.

Doctor Wright, who began her long battle to save the lives of Harris County tubercular patients in 1911, was honored by members of the medical profession at a meeting in the auditorium of the Baylor University College of Medicine.

Mayor Oscar Holcombe praised Doctor Wright's work which will reach a climax in the new city tuberculosis hospital to be built in the Texas Medical Center. He accepted an oil portrait of her to be hung in the new building.

Dr. Denton Kerr, president of the Harris County Medical Society, reviewed Doctor Wright's pioneer work in this area and commented that she "carried on at times when it seemed that she was the only one in the fight."

Doctor Wright herself, in a voice trembling with emotion, said:

"We build cathedrals, yet we permit men, women and children to die of tuberculosis because we have no facilities to care for them."

"We need area hospitals where patients may be treated without regard for political boundaries of counties and cities."

"We must not let people die because of our ignorance."

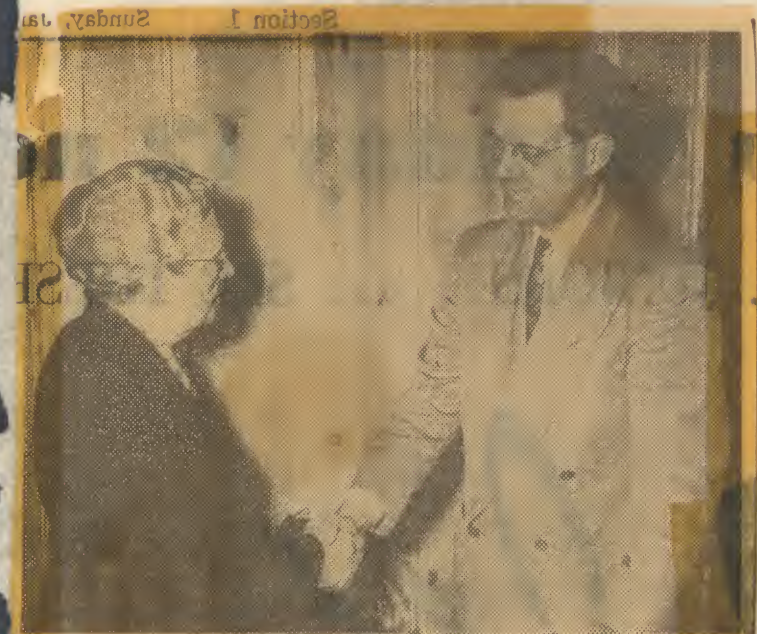
In accepting the postgraduate scholarship, which is provided in the will Doctor Wright will leave, tuberculosis.

FOR THE TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL,

Dr. Elva A. Wright, pioneer crusader against tuberculosis in Harris County, Tuesday night presented her oil portrait to Mayor Oscar Holcombe. The portrait, painted by Miss Jane Nordin, was given to the city at ceremonies honoring Doctor Wright in the auditorium of the Baylor University College of Medicine.



ER CULOSIS HOSPITAL, to be built in the Texas Medical Center, Tuesday night presented her oil portrait to Mayor Oscar Holcombe. The portrait, painted by Miss Jane Nordin, was given to the city at ceremonies honoring Doctor Wright in the auditorium of the Baylor University College of Medicine.



TB FELLOWSHIP—Dr. Elva A. Wright, left, receives the appreciation of Dr. Denton Kerr, president of the Harris County Medical society, for her gift of a tuberculosis graduate fellowship fund to the Texas Medical center.

Marion R. Lawler, M. D.

Mercedes, Texas

Sunday Afternoon

Dr. Robert Phillips
Houston, Texas.

Dear Tom Robert:-

Last night when I left the hospital I had a
room of sick patients. This morning I found everyone well. I think
I will fly up Sunday afternoon and stay over until train time
Wednesday night. Tuesday the 18th is John's birthday and I have
written him to have dinner with us Tuesday night home town.

It is extremely important of you to let me
know about some outstanding opportunities for learning about
the present literature. I am just completed the reading of the last
number of the Bulletin of North America which is devoted to the
biology of *Staphylococcus* and the case of *Staphylococcus*. It must be
thrilling to the surgeon to realize that such cases of *Staphylococcus*
is potential at some time to manifest for the ed, last, secret, then
infection, mechanism, a segmented procedure or explanation of two
or more of these. I will be happy and to hear Dr. Overholt and I hope he
must be used because of his reputation, is being from Boston, and because
you are interested him.

Overholt was to have been down to the house this
afternoon, but at the last minute he was out of town perhaps to keep
him in the office. I talked to him at lunch earlier and on the train
in Washington. I believe that he will be operate in some work down here.
I trust that all of you are well at this time.

Sincerely,


Marion R. Lawler,

January 6, 1949

Mr. Murray Kornfeld
Executive Secretary
American College of Chest Physicians
500 N. Dearborn St.
Chicago 10, Ill.

Dear Murray:

I am so sorry that you cannot be with
us on the 18th and 19th of January.

Thanks for your kind letter and we will
certainly be looking forward to seeing you in Mexico
City.

Dan joins me in sending best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.

JRP:m

January 3, 1949

Doctor Denton Kerr
308 Medical Arts Bldg.
Houston, Texas

Dear Doctor Kerr:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright". We are certainly happy that you are acting as Chairman.

As you know, Doctor Richard Overholt will also appear before the Medical Section, Harris County Medical Society in a Phi Chi lecture here on Wednesday, January 19, 1949 at 8:00 P. M. at the Baylor University of Medicine and you are to sit as a guest at the head table at the Kiwanis luncheon at 12:05 noon Wednesday, January 19, 1949.

With best wishes for the New Year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman - Program Committee

JRP:m

January 8, 1949

Doctor L. W. Kirkland,
Director
Texas Tuberculosis Asso.
310 N. Washington
Beeville, Texas.

Dear Doctor Kirkland:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright". In addition, Doctor Richard Overholt, Boston, Mass. will hold a conference at the Tuberculosis Hospital Wednesday morning, January 19, 1949 at 8:00.

On that evening he will talk before the Harris County Medical Society on "Cancer of the Lung". I hope you will be able to come over for these meetings.

With all good wishes for the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
George Hodell, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 3, 1949

Miss Sue Barnett
Assistant to President
Texas Medical Center
Houston, Texas.

Dear Sue:

Enclosed is a program which we have worked up as a Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright. I would appreciate it if you would let all of the members of the Texas Medical Center know about this program so that they can be present for this Salute. We feel like they will all want to come since she is making this donation.

If there is anything in which I can help further in this, please let me know.

I have read over the suggestion for the will and in discussing it with her yesterday and in the last sentence she would like a change be made to read "it is my desire that it be used to assist students, doctors specializing in the study of tuberculosis".

Thank you for helping us with this and with all good wishes for the new year, I am

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.

JRP:m

January 13, 1949

Mr. David Bacot and Mrs. D.A. Williams,
Proprietors,
David, The Florist
4017 South Shepherd
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. David and Mrs. Williams:

I think it is very nice that you are furnishing the floral offering for Doctor Elva A. Wright's salute of Honor. I know that she will appreciate this and I am so informing her so that she can write her thanks also.

It is deeds like this that make people of Houston great.

Thanks again

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.

JRP:m

January 3, 1949

Doctor R. Lee Clark, Jr.
2310 Baldwin St.
Houston, Texas

Dear Doctor Clark:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright". Our Guest Speaker is Doctor Richard Overholt of Boston. The following evening he will talk before the Harris County Medical Society on "Cancer of the Lung", this being a Phi Chi Lectureship. Will you be so kind as to inform your associates, residents and etc. of these meetings so that they will have an opportunity of attending. They are all invited.

Doctor Overholt is going to talk before the Kiwanis Club at 12:05 Wednesday, January 19, 1949 at a luncheon and I would like to have you as our guest to sit at the head table.

I was up at the Clinic just recently and Brodie talked about you a great deal. We all think that you are doing wonderful work and I want to take this opportunity of congratulating you on the wonderful Journal that you are getting out.

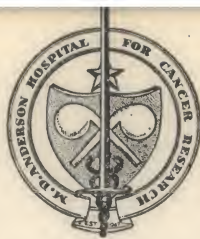
With all good wishes for the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

THE UNIVERSITY



OF TEXAS

LEE CLARK, JR., M.D.
DIRECTOR

January 13, 1949

2310 BALDWIN STREET
HOUSTON

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
407 Medical Arts Building
Houston 2, Texas

Dear Dr. Phillips:

I appreciate your letting me know about the program for Dr. Elva A. Wright and would be pleased to attend. It was most kind of you to invite me to be a guest of the Kiwanis Club on Wednesday, January 19. It will be a real pleasure to hear Dr. Overholt and to meet with you.

I appreciate your comments regarding the Bulletin and would be pleased to have any suggestions that you might wish to offer. I will pass your comment on to Dr. Russell W. Cumley who is the managing editor.

Sincerely yours,

R. Lee Clark, Jr., M. D.
Director and Surgeon-in-Chief

RLC:fr

January 3, 1948

Doctor E. W. Bertner
Hermann Professional Bldg.
Houston, Texas

Dear Doctor Bertner:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright". I am certainly happy you accepted the invitation to be on the program, January 18, 1949 at eight o'clock in the evening. I think that this will be a nice program.

Doctor Richard Overholt is going to talk before Harris County Medical Society at Baylor University on Wednesday evening, January 19, 1949 at 8:00 P.M. His subject then will be "Cancer of the Lung". He will also talk before the Kiwanis Club at noon on Wednesday, January 19, 1949. I would like for you to sit at the head table. I plan to invite Mr. Louis Neff, Executive Director of the Texas Division, American Cancer Society of Texas and others in the Cancer Field as well as Doctor Wright and some of those connected with the Phi Chi Benefit Association.

Mrs. Phillips joins me in wishing you and Mrs. Bertner a very happy New Year.

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

THE BERTNER CLINIC
SECOND NATIONAL BANK BUILDING
HOUSTON

L. D. MINTO, BUSINESS MANAGER

January 12, 1949.

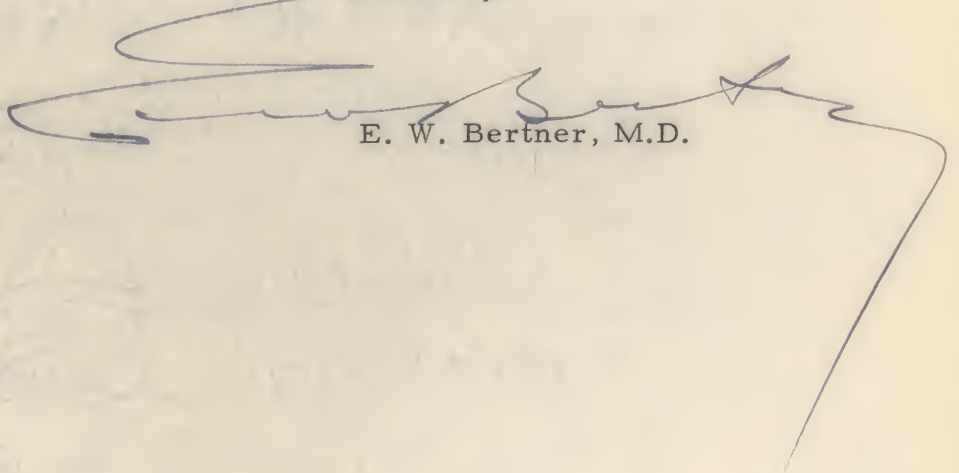
Dr. John Roberts Phillips,
407 Medical Arts Bldg.,
Houston 2, Texas.

Dear Dr. Phillips:

Mrs. Bertner and I accept with pleasure your
kind invitation to dinner at your home at 5:30 P.M. on January
18th.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "E. W. Bertner", with a long, sweeping line extending from the end of the signature towards the bottom right of the page.

E. W. Bertner, M.D.

EWB-m

January 3, 1949

Miss Sue Boles
Box 2176
Houston, Texas

Dear Miss Boles:

Doctor Richard H. Overholt of Boston, Mass. is the Guest Speaker for Wednesday at noon, 1-19-49 and will have as his subject "Chest Surgeon". He will need a standard lantern projector and screen for this talk. I believe that we can make the room pretty dark.

I have been appointed Chairman of Committee to arrange for a Salute of Honor Program for Doctor Elva A. Wright. This program will be held January 18, 1949 at 8:00 P.M. at Baylor University of Medicine. The Guest Speaker will be Doctor Richard H. Overholt on "Surgery's Place in the Treatment of Pulmonary Tuberculosis. Doctor Wright has many friends in the Kiwanis Club and I am sure that this notation will enable many to be aware of this meeting so that they can attend. The following evening, January 19, 1949, Doctor Overholt will talk before the Harris County Medical Society, giving a Phi Chi Benefit Lecture on "Cancer of the Lung" at 8:00 P.M. at the Baylor University. I will contact you later on in the week, regarding the number that will be at the guest table.

Sincerely yours,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

Scott & White Clinic

SCOTT, SHERWOOD & BRINDLEY

TEMPLE, TEXAS

January 6, 1949

GENERAL SURGERY

DR. M. W. SHERWOOD
DR. G. V. BRINDLEY
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DR. C. M. SIMPSON
DR. P. M. RAMEY
DR. T. SPEED
DR. R. R. WHITE
DR. G. V. BRINDLEY, JR.

ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY

DR. H. B. MACEY
DR. R. A. MURRAY

UROLOGICAL SURGERY

DR. C. M. SIMPSON
DR. E. O. BRADFIELD

THORACIC SURGERY

DR. G. V. BRINDLEY, JR.

NEUROLOGICAL SURGERY

DR. GEORGE EHNI

J. R. Phillips, M. D.
407 Medical Arts Building
Houston 2, Texas

Dear Doctor Phillips:

I appreciated very much receiving in the mail this morning a program of a Salute of Honor to Dr. Elva A. Wright. This appears to me to be a very fine thing that Baylor University is doing in honoring Doctor Wright.

I would like to attend this program; however, it is doubtful that I will be able to do so since I am going to be in Houston a couple of days the coming week attending a meeting of the American College of Surgeons. I hope I may have the privilege of seeing you then.

Assuring you of my appreciation of this invitation,

Sincerely yours,

G. V. Brindley
G. V. Brindley, M. D.

GVB/mn

*Program
no letter*

January 3, 1948

Doctor M. A. DeBakey
Professor of Surgery
Baylor University of Medicine
Medical Center
Houston, Texas

Dear Doctor DeBakey:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of
Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright".

Doctor Richard Overholt, as you know, will
be a Guest Speaker on this evening, January 18, 1949. On
the following evening, January 19, 1949 he will talk before
the Harris County Medical Society, giving a Phi Chi Lecture-
ship on "Cancer of the Lungs" at 8:00 P.M. at the Baylor Univ-
ersity Auditorium. Will you be so kind as to invite all of
your associates to both of these meetings? Doctor Overholt is
also going to speak before the Kiwanis Club at noon, 12:15
on Wednesday, January 19, 1949, and we would like for you to
be a guest at the head table for this occasion.

With best wishes for the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

Baylor University
College of Medicine
Houston 1, Texas

January 5, 1949

DEPARTMENT OF SURGERY

Dr. John Roberts Phillips
Chairman, Program Committee
407 Medical Arts Building
Houston 2, Texas

Dear Doctor Phillips:

Thank you for your letter of January 3, 1949, concerning Dr. Overholt's visit here and your invitation to attend the meetings at which Dr. Overholt will make presentations. Unfortunately, I shall be in San Antonio on a speaking engagement on January 19th but hope to be able to attend the evening session on January 18th.

With my best regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Michael E. DeBakey

Michael E. DeBakey, M.D.

MED:jb

January 3, 1949

*Phi Chi
Houston
Texas*

Mr. William D. Worthington,
President,
Phi Chi Medical Fraternity
511 Lovett Blvd.
Houston, Texas.

Dear Mr. Worthington:

Enclosed is a program to the "Salute of
Honor to Doctor Elva Wright".

On the following evening, Doctor Richard
Overholt will talk, giving a Phi Chi Lectureship, Baylor
University Auditorium at 8:00 P.M., on "Cancer of the
Lung". This will be on January 19, 1949. All of the
Phi Chi members and students are invited. Please make this
announcement so just as many as can will be able to attend
both meetings. Doctor Richard Overholt is an international
figure and his talks will be exceptional.

With all good wishes to each and every one
through the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 15, 1949

Dr. Elva A. Wright
6340 Brompton Road
Houston ? , Texas

Dear Doctor Wright:

I received an invitation and the program that is to be put on for you as A SALUTE OF HONOR. Dr. John Roberts Phillips was kind enough to include me on his list and I know of nothing I had rather do than to attend, BUT due to bad health, I will have to forego this pleasure.

I have known you and your work for many years. No one DESERVES MORE THIS HONOR. It would be worth unlimited good IF you could go through another life devoted to the welfare of your people.

Kindest wishes and I want to assure you of my continued interest and respect - and that I SO WISH I MIGHT BE WITH YOU ON THE EIGHTEENTH.

Always your friend,

SAM E. THOMPSON, M.D.

carbon copy to DR. JOHN ROBERTS PHILLIPS

January 3, 1949

Miss Marie Luppold
Supt. of Nurses
Methodist Hospital
Houston, Texas.

*Methodist
Hosp*

Dear Miss Luppold:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright". I think that you have done a wonderful job in helping us and this is going to be an impressive thing to have a group of nurses in uniform at this meeting.

I am enclosing several programs which I will appreciate if you will distribute to the others who are interested in this great work. I feel that Doctor Wright has done much for Houston.

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 5, 1949

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Lindholm
c/o The Shamrock Hotel
Main at Bellaire
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Lindholm:

Enclosed is a program to the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright". This meeting will be held on January 18, 1949 at the Baylor University Auditorium at 8:00 P.M.

On the following evening, January 19, 1949 at 8:00 P.M. at the Baylor University Auditorium, Doctor Richard Overholt will talk before the Harris County Medical Society. His subject will be "Cancer of the Lungs".

Doctor Overholt is an excellent speaker and we certainly hope that you both will attend these meetings.

With very best wishes for the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 3, 1949

Miss Daisy Moore
Supt. of Nurses
Memorial Hospital
Houston, Texas.

Dear Miss Moore:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of
Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright".

We are certainly happy that the Memorial
Hospital is going to send the group of nurses in uniform
to this meeting. I think that this will be very impressive.

Enclosed are a few programs which I will
appreciate having you distribute to the other nurses and
personnel who are interested and invite them all to come.

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 3, 1949

Sister Martina
Supt. of Nurses
St. Joseph Infirmary
Houston, Texas.

*St Joseph
Hosp*

Dear Sister Martina:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright". We are certainly happy that the St. Joseph Infirmary are going to send a group of nurses in uniform to this meeting. This will make it very impressive. We want as many of the Sisters to be present as can, also.

Please distribute these programs around to the ones you think are interested in attending this meeting.

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 3, 1949

Doctor R. M. Moore
Professor of Surgery
University of Texas
Galveston, Texas

Dear Doctor Moore:

Doctor Richard Overholt will be Guest Speaker on the program of "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright" on January 18, 1949. The program of this meeting is enclosed. The following evening, January 19, 1949, he will talk before the Harris County Medical Society, giving a Phi Chi Lectureship on "Cancer of the Lung". Doctor Overholt regrets that he will not be able to get down to Galveston at this time, however we would like to extend to you and your Staff an invitation to come up to both of these meetings. Both will be held at the Baylor University Auditorium at 8:00:P. M.

With all good wishes for the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

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THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS—MEDICAL BRANCH
GALVESTON

THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
THE SCHOOL OF NURSING
THE TECHNICAL CURRICULA
THE POST-GRADUATE PROGRAM

THE JOHN SEALY HOSPITAL
THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
THE PSYCHOPATHIC HOSPITAL
THE STEWART CONVALESCENT HOME

Department of Surgery
January 6, 1949

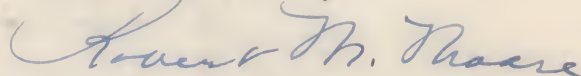
Dr. John Roberts Phillips,
407 Medical Arts Building,
Houston 2, Texas

Dear Dr. Phillips:

Thank you very much for the information and invitation to the presentations by Dr. Overholt on January 18-19. I shall try to get up one of the two evenings and will pass the information around the Department here. I am sure Dr. Harrison and probably some of the others will arrange to come.

With many thanks and best wishes,

Sincerely yours,



Robert M. Moore, M.D.,
Professor of Surgery.

RMM:mlf

January 3, 1949

Doctor W. H. Morrison, Dean
Baylor University of Medicine
Medical Center
Houston, Texas

Dear Doctor Morrison:

"I am enclosing a program of the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright", which will be held January 18, 1949 at 8:00 P.M. at the Baylor University Auditorium. The following evening Doctor Richard Overholt will be on the program, giving one of the Phi Chi Lectureships on "Cancer of the Lungs" at 8:00 P.M. Will you be so kind as to invite the entire Faculty and Student Body to both of these occasions?

Doctor Richard Overholt is also going to appear before the Kiwanis Club at noon on Wednesday, January 19, 1949 at 12:15. I would like for you to be our guest at the head table for this occasion.

Mrs. Phillips joins me in wishing for you and yours the best new year ever.

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

Baylor University
College of Medicine
Houston 1, Texas

Office of Dean

January 12, 1949.

Dr. John R. Phillips
Medical Arts Bldg.,
Houston, Texas

Dear Doctor Phillips:

In accordance with your letter of January 3rd I have extended invitations to the Faculty and students to attend the special functions, "A Salute of Honor to Dr. Elva A. Wright" and the Phi Chi Lecture by Dr. Overholt, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings at 8:00 o'clock, January 18th and January 19th, in the Auditorium of the Medical College.

Thank you for the invitation to be the guest of the Kiwanis Club at Luncheon Wednesday, January 19th, at 12:15 P.M. I will be there unless something unforeseen prevents me from doing so.

Sincerely yours,

W. H. Mouroung

Dean.

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Dr. John Roberts Phillips
Medical Arts Building
Houston, Texas

Dear Dr. Phillips:

Thank you very much for your letter of December 31. I plan to attend the meeting on January 18 in honor of Dr. Wright and am notifying members of our Board of Directors, a number of whom will undoubtedly wish to be present.

With kind personal regards and best wishes,

Sincerely yours

Pansy Nichols

Pansy Nichols
Executive Secretary

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January 14, 1949

Miss Pansy Nichols
Executive Secretary
Texas Tuberculosis Association
208 E. 9th St.
Austin, Texas

Dear Miss Nichols:

Mrs. Phillips and I would like for you to come to buffet supper honoring Doctor Elza A. Wright and Doctor Richard Overholt at our home before the Salute of Honor. Supper will be at 5:30.

The following morning Doctor Overholt is holding surgical conference at the Tuberculosis Hospital at 7:30. We want you to attend all of these functions. Miss Renis has stated that she will bring you to our house.

We will be looking forward to seeing you

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

George Hodell, M.D.

JRP:m

January 3, 1948

Mayor Oscar F. Holcombe
First National Bank Bldg.
Houston, Texas

Dear Mayor Holcombe:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright". I am certainly happy that you accepted the invitation to appear on the program. I feel that this is something very nice for Doctor Wright.

With best wishes for the New Year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 13, 1949

Mayor Oscar F. Holcombe
First National Bank Bldg.
Houston, Texas

Dear Mayor Holcombe:

We appreciate more than we can say your accepting the place on the program of the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright".

I know that we are all striving to make Houston not only the greatest City in the South but the healthiest City as well.

Enclosed is a weekly news bulletin of the Harris County Medical Society with the little notation about the occasion.

Wishing for you the best year ever

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

George Hodell, M. D.

JRP:m

January 3, 1949

Mr. Louis Neff
Executive Director of the Texas Division,
American Cancer Society of Texas
2310 Baldwin St.
Houston, Texas.

Dear Mr. Neff:

Doctor Richard Overholt is going to be in Houston to give a Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright, the program of which is enclosed. The following evening he will talk before the Harris County Medical Society on "Cancer of the Lung", I will appreciate it if you would publicize these meetings as much as possible so that we can have an outstanding attendance.

I would also like for you to be a guest and sit at the head table at a luncheon of the Kiwanis Club on Wednesday, January 19, 1949, 12:05, at which time Doctor Overholt will talk before the Club.

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

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January 12, 1949

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.
407 Medical Arts Building
Houston 2, Texas

My dear Dr. Phillips:

I am pleased indeed to accept your invitation to attend the meeting in honor of Dr. Wright on January 18 and to sit with you at the luncheon club meeting on Wednesday, January 19.

It was gracious of you to remember me and I shall be happy to be with you.

Yours very sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "J. Louis Neff".

J. Louis Neff
Executive Director

JLN:kl

January 3, 1949

Mr. J. Lawrence Plumley
3816 Bellaire Blvd.
Houston, Texas

Dear Larry:

Enclosed is a program for the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright". I certainly am happy that you are on this program with us. I would appreciate it if you would announce it at church and Clubs around that this tribute is being paid Doctor Wright and invite her many friends to be present.

Dan and all the children join me in wishing you and yours the best of everything in the coming year.

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 3, 1949

Mrs. Josephine Post
Supt. of Nurses
Hermann Hospital
Houston, Texas.

Dear Mrs. Post:

Enclosed is a program for the "Salute of
Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright".

Mrs. Luppold of the Methodist Hospital
has told me that Hermann is going to send a group of nurses
in uniform. This is certainly a lovely thing and will be
quite impressive. We are anxious for as many to come as
can and we want you and your Staff to plan on being present.
Bring your husbands along.

With all good wishes

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 3, 1949

Bishop Clinton S. Quin
1117 Texas Avenue
Houston, Texas.

Dear Bishop Quin:

Enclosed is a program to the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright", on January 18, 1949. The following evening, January 19, 1949, Doctor Overholt will talk at the same time and place on "Cancer of the Lung", this being a Phi Chi Lectureship. We would like for you and your Wife to attend. Please inform others interested in these fields.

Mrs. Phillips joins me in wishing you and yours the best new year ever.

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

Diocese of Texas
Rt. Rev. Clinton S. Quinn
RESIDENCE OF THE BISHOP
5309 MANDELL AVE.
Houston 5, Texas

January 5, 1949

Dr. John R. Phillips
407 Medical Arts Bldg.
Houston 2, Texas

Dear Dr. Phillips:

I think it is a grand idea, this tribute to Dr. Wright, and I am certainly distressed that I cannot be on hand for the lecture on the 19th, but I am due in Bay City that day.

Thank you so much and with our very best wishes for you and your family, I am

Faithfully yours,

Clinton S. Quinn

January 3, 1949

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Mrs. Josie M. Roberts
Superintendent
Methodist Hospital
Houston, Texas.

Dear Mrs. Roberts:

Miss Luppold has kindly helped in the Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright as she contacted the different hospitals so that we are going to have a flock of nurses in uniform, which will be an impressive sight.

We certainly would like for you to be present and any others who have been interested in this field, will certainly be welcome. The following evening Doctor Richard Overholt will talk before the Harris County Medical Society on "Cancer of the Lung" and you will be welcome to attend this meeting also. The meetings both will be held at the Baylor University Auditorium, 8:00 P.M. The first meeting being January 18, 1949 and the second one on January 19, 1949.

With best wishes for the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

December 23, 1948

Miss Emmeline J. Renis
President - Altrusa Club of Houston
P.O. Box 2193
Houston, Texas

Dear Miss Renis:

You are invited to a "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright", to be held on January 18, 1949 at the Baylor School of Medicine, Houston, Texas, 8:00 P.M.

A lovely portrait of Doctor Wright will be presented to the Houston Tuberculosis Hospital and notice of a scholarship fund for Post Graduate study in Tuberculosis, which Doctor Wright is bequeathing will be made.

Doctor Richard Overholt of Brookline, Mass., will be the guest speaker of the evening. Doctor Overholt's topic will be "Surgery's Place in the Treatment of Pulmonary Tuberculosis".

This is to be an open meeting. Please urge your friends to attend, and help publish this to your members.

Sincerely yours,

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.
Chairman - Program Committee

JRP/rs

January 3, 1948

Mr. A. S. Reaves,
Superintendent
Jefferson Davis Hospital
Houston, Texas.

*Jefferson
Davis
Hospital*

Dear Mr. Reaves:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of
Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright".

We hope that you and your Wife will be
present for this meeting and I will appreciate it if you
will inform the Intern Staff and Resident Staff and others
in this field to be present. They are all invited.

Enclosed are a few extra copies of the
program and we will appreciate it if you will have your
Secretary mail these around to the members of the Board,
so that they can have an opportunity to come. Doctor
Richard Overholt is an International figure and will give
a good clinical talk. In addition, the benefits that we
are deriving are great from Doctor Wright's past work and
the things which she is doing at this time.

With all good wishes for the coming year.

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 4, 1949

Doctor O. E. Ranfranz
1518 Medical Arts Bldg.
Houston, Texas.

Dear Doctor Ranfranz:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of
Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright".

Medical and Dental Societies are so closely
connected that this field of tuberculosis is one which effects
all of us.

On the following evening of January 19, 1949
Doctor Richard Overholt will talk before the Harris County
Medical Society, giving a Phi Chi lecture and his subject that
evening will be "Cancer of the Lungs". Anyone interested in
this is certainly welcome to attend.

With best wishes for the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 3, 1948

Judge R. H. Spencer
1201 Capital Ave.
Houston, Texas

Dear Judge Spencer:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright". We are certainly happy that you are on the program. Take as much time as you would like to give the historical background on fighting tuberculosis and the introduction of Doctor Wright.

I hope you will inform the other members of the Board and your many friends and those of Doctor Wright to attend this Salute of Honor so that they will have an opportunity of attending.

With all good wishes for the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

January 3, 1948

Doctor Paul R. Stalnaker
4715 Fannin St.
Houston, Texas

Dear Doctor Stalnaker:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright". You and Mrs. Stalnaker and your friends be sure to come to this meeting. The following evening Doctor Richard Overholt gives a Phi Chi Lectureship at the Baylor University Auditorium at 8:00 P.M. on "Cancer of the Lung".

As I have told you, at 12:05 on Wednesday noon, January 19, 1949, he will talk before the Kiwanis Club and I would like for you to be our guest and sit at the head table.

With all good wishes to you and yours for the coming year and thanking you for the many past kindnesses,

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

January 3, 1949

Mr. H. R. Cullen
City National Bank Bldg.
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Cullen:

We are giving a Salute of Honor to
Doctor Elva A. Wright for her many years of service
and have arranged the following program which is enclosed.

We have as a Guest Speaker, Doctor Richard
Overholt who will give a talk on "Surgery's Place in the
Treatment of Tuberculosis".

You have been so interested in this field
that I know that you and Mrs. Cullen will want to come and
we certainly hope that you will attend.

In addition, the following evening of
January 19, 1949 at the Baylor University of Medicine
Auditorium at 8:00 P.M. Doctor Overholt is going to give
one of the Phi Chi Lectureship and his title will be
"Cancer of the Lung". You have been so kind to both of
these projects that we want to invite you to be present.

With all good wishes for the coming year

Sincerely yours,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

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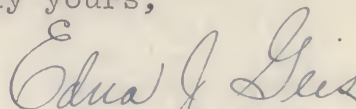
January 11, 1949

Dr. John Roberts Phillips
407 Medical Arts Building
Houston 2, Texas

Dear Dr. Phillips:

Mr. Cullen has asked me to reply to your letter of January 3 in which you invite him to attend a lecture by Dr. Overholt at Baylor University of Medicine Auditorium at 8:00 P.M., January 19, 1949. Mr. Cullen is making an address on that date before the University of Houston Athletic Association, and sincerely regrets, therefore, that he will not be able to be with you.

Very truly yours,



Edna J. Geis
Secretary to Mr. Cullen

(EJG)

January 5, 1949

Mr. and Mrs. Webb Mading,
5812 Bayou Bend
Houston, Texas.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Mading:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright". We hope that you and Mrs. Mading will be able to attend this meeting.

On the following evening Doctor Richard Overholt is going to talk before the Harris County Medical Society, giving a Phi Chi Lecture at the Baylor University Auditorium at 8:00 P.M. on "Cancer of the Lungs". Doctor Overholt is an excellent speaker and we hope you will attend.

With very best wishes for the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.

JRP:m

STATE SANATORIUM
Sanatorium, Tom Green County, Texas
January 13, 1949

Dr. John Roberts Phillips,
407 Medical Arts Building
Houston 2, Texas.

Dear Dr. Phillips:

I have your letter enclosing a "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A Wright" at the Baylor University Auditorium on January 18, 1949.

I do wish I could attend this program, but I have a meeting of the Board of Trustees in Austin on that date, and it will not be possible for me to come. I wish you would express my regrets to Dr. Wright.

Thanking you and with my very best regards, I am

Yours very truly,

A.B. McKnight, M.D.
Superintendent

January 4, 1949

*Dental
University*

Doctor Frederick C. Elliott
Texas University School of Denistry
1018 Blodgett
Houston, Texas.

Dear Doctor Elliott:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of
Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright".

Medical and Dental Societies are so closely
connected that this field of tuberculosis is one which effects
all of us.

On the following evening of January 19, 1949
Doctor Richard Overholt will talk before the Harris County
Medical Society, giving a Phi Chi lecture and his subject that
evening will be "Cancer of the Lungs". Anyone interested in
this is certainly welcome to attend. Please announce this
to the Students and Faculty so that they may attend also.

With best wishes for the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

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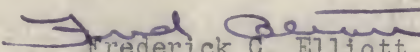
January 7, 1949

Dr. John Roberts Phillips
407 Medical Arts Building
Houston 2, Texas

Dear Dr. Phillips:

I appreciate your invitation to attend a program to be given in honor of Dr. Elva A. Wright. I am very sorry that I will be out of the City. I would have liked very much to be present since I value Dr. Wright as one of my best friends. The announcement will be given to the students and faculty so that they may attend. I shall urge them to do so. Thank you for your new year's wishes. I hope the new year is kind to you.

Sincerely yours,


Frederick C. Elliott,
Vice-President and Dean.

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January 4, 1949

Doctor Bailey Calvin, Dean
Texas University School of Medicine
Galveston, Texas.

Dear Doctor Calvin:

Doctor Richard Overholt will be in Houston January the 18th and 19th, 1949, giving a lecture at the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright" at the Baylor University Auditorium at 8:00 P.M. His subject will be "Surgery's Place in the Treatment of Pulmonary Tuberculosis". On the following evening at the Baylor University Auditorium at 8:00 P.M. he is going to speak on "Cancer of the Lungs", this being a Phi Chi Lecture.

Unfortunately, due to previous engagements, he will not be able to go to Galveston and give a lecture down there. We would like for you and as many of the Faculty to come up for these meetings, and we extend you a hearty invitation. We will appreciate it if you would so inform the Faculty so that they will be able to attend.

Enclosed is a program of the Salute of Honor.

With best wishes for the new year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

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THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS—MEDICAL BRANCH
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SCHOOL OF NURSING
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POST-GRADUATE PROGRAM

January 31, 1949

THE JOHN SEALY HOSPITAL
THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
THE PSYCHOPATHIC HOSPITAL
THE STEWART CONVALESCENT HOME

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee
Med. Arts Bldg.
Houston, 2 Texas

Dear Dr. Phillips:

This is a belated acknowledgement of your letter of January 4, 1949 regarding the lecture by Dr. Richard Overholt in Houston honoring Dr. Alva A. Wright. I regret the delay in answering your letter but my absence from the City and the pressure of circumstances, including the partial return of my illness of the Summer has thrown me behind in my mail schedule.

We were able to publicize Dr. Overholts' appearance in Houston to some degree particularly through the fraternity. I do hope that things were entirely satisfactory and that your audiences for the lectures were everything that you wished them to be.

Please let us know in the future if the Phi Chi lectureship schedule will be maintained later in the Spring. We are looking forward to having another of these splendid opportunities to have outstanding speakers come to Galveston to be with us here at the Medical School and particularly to meet with the members of our local Phi Chi chapter.

Please let us know if we can be of further assistance at any time.

Sincerely yours,

D. Bailey Calvin

D. Bailey Calvin, Dean
Student and Curricular Affairs

DBC/ks

January 4, 1949

Mrs. B. B. Bankus,
Superintendent
Physicians and Surgeons Hospital
1218 Webster Ave.
Houston, Texas.

Dear Mrs. Bankus:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of
Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright".

We hope that you and your husband will
be able to attend. Tell the members of your nursing
staff so they can attend also.

With all good wishes for the new year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 8, 1949

Mr. Warren S. Bellows, Pres. Houston Chamber of Commerce
1728 North Blvd.
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Bellows:

Enclosed is a program for the "Salute of
Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright".

Doctor Richard Overholt is going to give
the clinical lecture on January 18, 1949 at 8:00 P.M. for
this occasion and on the following evening, January 19, 1949
at 8:00 P.M. he will talk before the Harris County Medical
Society, giving a Phi Chi Lecture ship on "Cancer of the Lung".

Both of these meetings will take place at the
Baylor University Auditorium. I will appreciate it if you
will publish this so that the members of the Chamber can
be present for both occasions. Both meetings will be open
and any others interested in this field will be most welcome.

With best wishes for the year, I am

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
George Modell, M.D.
Chairmen, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 4, 1949

Mrs. L. K. Connell, Superintendent
Northside Hospital
1110 Hogan St.
Houston, Texas.

Dear Mrs. Connell:

Enclosed is a program for the "Salute of
Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright".

Doctor Richard Overholt is going to give the
clinical lecture on January 18, 1949 at 8:00 P.M. for this
occasion and on the following evening, January 19, 1949
at 8:00 P.M. he will talk before the Harris County Medical
Society, giving a Phi Chi Lectureship on "Cancer of the Lung".
Both of these meetings will take place at the Baylor University
Auditorium. I will appreciate it if you will publish this so
that the members of your Staff can be present for both occasions.
Both meetings will be open and any others who are interested in
this field are certainly most welcome.

With best wishes for a happy and prosperous
new year.

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 11, 1949

Doctor Raymond Corpe
Chief Surgeon
State Sanatorium
Sanatorium, Texas.

Dear Doctor Corpe:

Enclosed is a program to the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright". This meeting will be held on January 18, 1949 at the Baylor University Auditorium at 8:00 P.M.

On the following evening, January 19, 1949 at 8:00 P.M. at the Baylor University Auditorium, Doctor Richard Overholt will talk before the Harris County Medical Society. His subject will be "Cancer of the Lung". At 7:30 on Wednesday morning he will attend the clinical conference at the Tuberculosis Hospital and at noon on this date he will be a speaker on the program of the Kiwanis Club luncheon.

Doctor Overholt is an excellent speaker and we certainly hope that you can attend these meetings.

With best wishes for the new year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

George Hodell, M. D.

JRP:m

January 4, 1949

Mr. David Braden
2351 Kelving St.
Houston, Texas.

Dear Mr. Braden:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of Honor to Doctor E. A. Wright".

Doctor Richard Overholt of Boston, Mass will be the Guest Speaker on January 18, 1949 at 8:00 P.M. at Baylor University Auditorium and will talk on "Surgery's Place in the Treatment of Pulmonary Tuberculosis". On the following evening at the Baylor University Auditorium at 8:00 P.M. he is going to speak before the Harris County Medical Society on "Cancer of the Lungs", this being a Phi Chi lecture.

Will you please announce this to the student body at Rice Institute and to anyone else who may be interested in this field, so they may attend.

We are extending to you a hearty invitation for you to attend as we feel that both of these meetings are going to be very interesting. Doctor Overholt is an excellent speaker.

With best wishes for the new year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 6, 1918

Dr John Robert Phillips
Medical Arts Bldg.
Houston Texas

Dear Dr. Phillips:

Thank you for the notice of the addresses to be made on
January 18 at Baylor. They will be brought to the
attention of the Rice Pre Med Society and will be published
in the school paper before the 18th.

With best wishes for a happy New Year

David Braden

Program Chairman
Rice Pre Med Society

January 4, 1949

Doctor Elliott Mandenhall
Medical Arts Bldg,
Dallas, Texas

Dear Doctor Mandenhall:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright". In addition, Doctor Richard Overholt, Boston, Mass. will hold a conference at the Tuberculosis Hospital Wednesday morning, January 19, 1949 at 8:00.

On that evening he will talk before the Harris County Medical Society on "Cancer of the Lungs". I hope you will be able to come over for these meetings.

With all good wishes for the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

This letter was sent to the following persons:

Dr. David McCoullough, Kerrville	Dr. C. M. Hendricks, El Paso
Dr. W.M.Brumby, Houston	Dr. Roger J.B.Hibbard, Legion
Dr. J.B.McKnight, Sanatorium	Dr. Ernest E. Holt, College Station
J.W.Butler, Texas City Texas	Dr. Sam Hulsey, Fort Worth
Dr. Z.T.Scott, Austin	Dr. J. Edward Johnson, Austin
Dr. Wm. M. Blair, Wharton	Dr. L.W.Kirkland, Beeville
Dr. Bonnett, San Antonio	Dr. C.J. Koerth, Sanatorium
Dr. Walter C. Brown, Corpus Christi	Dr. J.W.Laws, El Paso,
Dr. F.Frank Carmen, Dallas	Dr. Robt. B. Morrison, Austin
Dr. W.W.Coulter, Jr. McAllen	Mrs. C.C.Lockwood, Brownwood
Dr. M.A.Cunningham, Beaumont	Dr. T.S.Myrick, Muenster
Dr. Byford H. Denman, Lufkin	Dr. Carl A. Mau, Galveston
Dr. E.G.Faber, Tyler	Dr. J.W.Nix, San Antonio
Dr. Ralph G. Fray, Lake Jackson	Mr. Thelma Patten-Law, Houston

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Dr. C. Seastrunk, Orange
Dr. Earle Sellers, Abilene
Dr. Charles A. Shoults, Bay City
Dr. Howard E. Smith, Austin,
Dr. J.B. White, Amarillo
Dr. Richard M. Smith, Dallas
Dr. Harold Williams, Austin
George D. Wilson, Houston
Dr. W.D. Anderson, San Angelo, Texas

January 3, 1949

Mr. Lee Clyde Gamill, Administrator
St Lukes Episcopal Hospital,
6221 South Main St.,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Mr. Gamill:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright", on January 18, 1949. The following evening, January 19, 1949, Doctor Overholt will talk at the same time and place on "Cancer of the Lung", this being a Phi Chi Lectureship. We would like for your wife and you to attend. Please inform others interested in these fields.

Mrs. Phillips joins me in wishing you and yours the best new year ever.

Yours sincerely

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.

JRP:m

January 4, 1949

Sister Mary Fidelis,
c/o St. Joseph Infirmary,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Sister:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of
Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright".

We are certainly happy that the St. Joseph
Infirmary are going to send a block of nurses in uniform
to this meeting. This will make it very impressive.
We want as many of the Sisters to be present as possible
and will appreciate it if you will publish this announce-
ment.

With best wishes to you for the coming new
year

Yours sincerely

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 4, 1949

Doctor L.D.Farragut,
County Health Officer
1120 Franklin St.,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Doctor Farragut:

Enclosed is a program for the "Salute of
Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright".

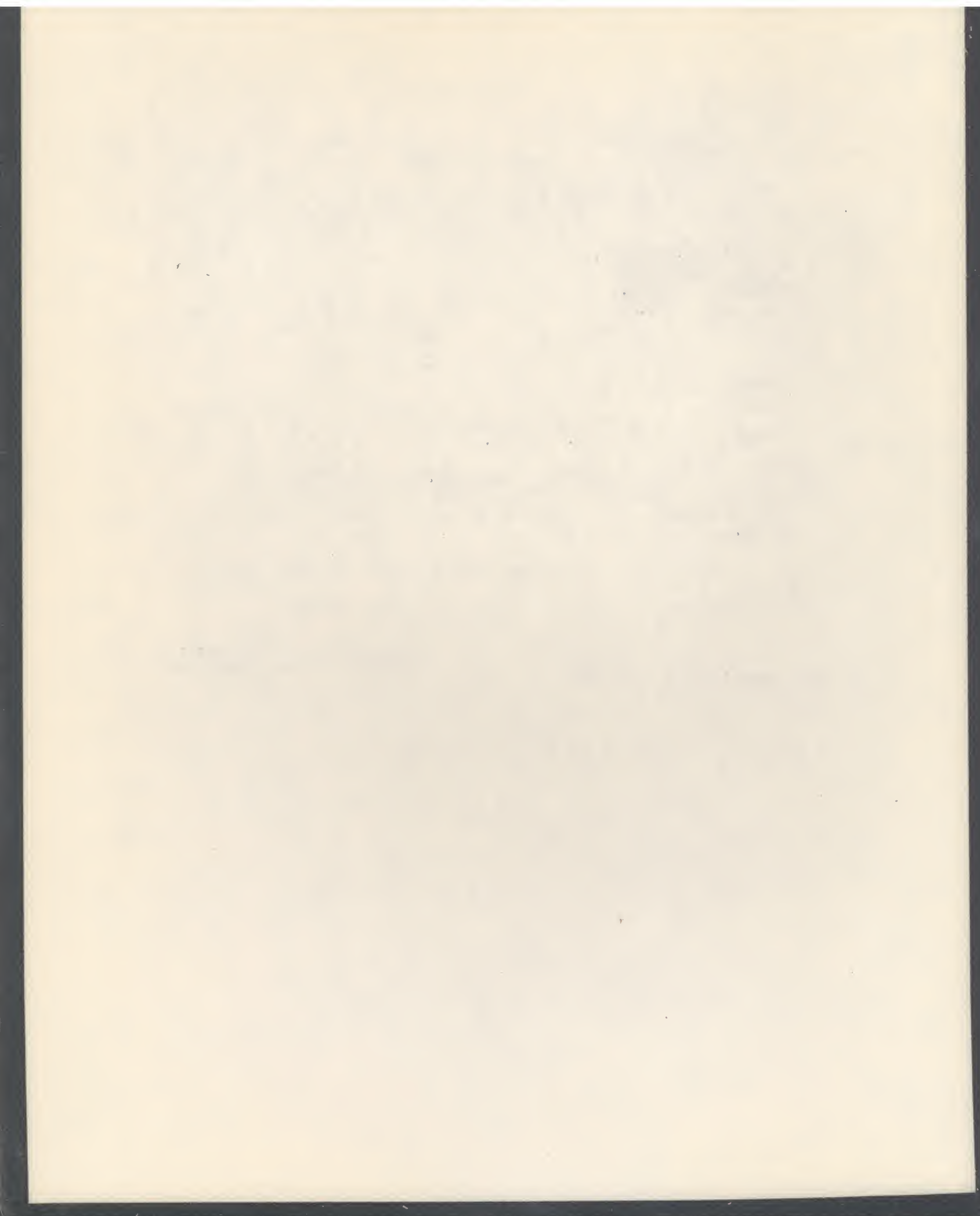
We know that you and Mrs. Farragut will
want to attend and we would appreciate it if you would
inform members of your staff about it so they can attend
also.

With all good wishes for the coming year,

Yours sincerely

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m



January 3, 1949

Mr. Houston Grump
Manager of Civic Affairs
Houston Chamber of Commerce
Commerce Bldg.
Houston, Texas.

Dear Mr. Grump:

Enclosed is a program that we have had
worked out for Doctor Elva A. Wright. I hope that this
is quite alright.

I will appreciate it if you will announce
this at the different committee meetings that Doctor Wright is
getting this Salute of Honor so that her many friends in the
Chamber can be aware of it and attend. Their wives are also
invited.

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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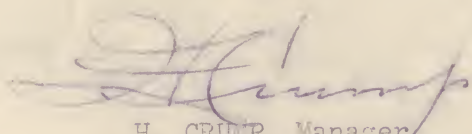
January 4, 1949

Dr. John R. Phillips, M. D.
407 Medical Arts Building
Houston, Texas

Dear Dr. Phillips:

Congratulations on a well-prepared program honoring
Dr. Elva Wright. You may be assured that we will
do all things possible to promote attendance at this
occasion.

Yours truly,



H. CRUMP, Manager
Civic Affairs Department

HC:me

January 4, 1949

Doctor Mylie E. Durham, Sr.
c/c Heights Hospital,
Ashland and Twentieth Sts.
Houston, Texas.

Dear Doctor Durham:

Enclosed is a program for the "Salute of
Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright".

Doctor Dick Overholt is going to give the
clinical lecture on January 18, 1949 at 8:00 P.M. for this
occasion and on the following evening January 19th, 1949 at
8:00 P.M. he will talk before the Harris County Medical Society,
giving a Phi Chi Lectureship on "Cancer of the Lung". Both of
these meetings will take place at the Baylor University Auditorium.
I will appreciate it if you will publish this so that the members
of your Staff can be present for both occasions. Both meetings
will be open and any others who are interested in this field are
certainly most welcome.

With best wishes for a happy and prosperous
new year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 4, 1949

Mr. John C. Dudley,
Superintendent
Memorial Hospital
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Dudley:

Enclosed is a program to the "Salute of
Honor to Doctor Elva E. Wright".

We hope that you and Mrs. Dudley will be
able to attend and would appreciate it if you will tell
as many as you can about this meeting, so that we will have
a good attendance. I will announce it at the Staff meeting.

With best wishes for the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 4, 1949

Doctor R. L. Ledbetter
609 Medical Arts Bldg.
Houston, Texas.

Dear Doctor Ledbetter:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of
Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright".

Medical and Dental Societies are so closely
connected that this field of tuberculosis is one which effects
all of us.

On the following evening of January 19, 1949
Doctor Richard Overholt will talk before the Harris County
Medical Society, giving a Phi Chi lecture and his subject that
evening will be "Cancer of the Lungs". Anyone interested in
this is certainly welcome to attend.

With best wishes for the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 3, 1949

Doctor Fred K. Laurentz
City Health Officer
900 Brazos St.
Houston, Texas.

Dear Doctor Laurentz:

Enclosed is a program to the "Salute of
Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright".

We hope that you and Mrs. Laurentz will
plan on being present.

I am still waiting for Mrs. Laurentz to
come in for a checkup.

I wish for you both a very happy new year.

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 4, 1949

*Phi Chi
Galvestone
Texas*

Mr. Hansel McSwain
President
Phi Chi Medical Fraternity
616 North Ave.
Galveston, Texas.

Dear Mr. McSwain:

Doctor Richard Overholt, outstanding chest surgeon of Boston, will be in Houston on January 18, 1949 and January 19, 1949. On the 18th he will give, at the Baylor University at 8:00 in the evening, a talk on "Surgery's Place in the Treatment of Pulmonary Tuberculosis". On the following evening at the same time he will talk on "Cancer of the Lungs", this being a Phi Chi Lecture. This will also be held at the Baylor University. His time is such that he will not be able to go down to Galveston because of previous engagements afterwards in Mexico City.

We would like to extend to you and the Fraternity an invitation to come up here to hear one of these lectures or both, and if you all cannot come then we would certainly like to have a nice Representation. Please let me know how many we can expect.

With best wishes for the new year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

Zeta of Phi Chi

GALVESTON, TEXAS

January 9, 1949

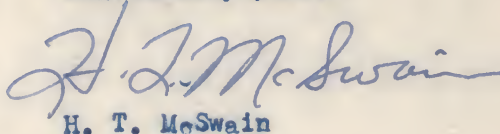
John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
407 Medical Arts Building
Houston 2, Texas

Dear Dr. Phillips:

Thank you for your letter of Jan. 5 regarding the lecture of Dr. Richard H. Overholt. I passed the information on to the chapter. However, I doubt if any of us can take off to come up for it, this being about a week before our final examinations. Should some of the boys decide to come, will let you know.

Thank you again for writing and looking forward to seeing you at our Founders Day Dinner February 26.

Fraternally yours,



H. T. McSwain

January 4, 1949

Mr. Jno. C. Flanagan, Chairman
Public Health Committee
Houston Chamber of Commerce
Commerce Bldg.
Houston, Texas.

Dear Mr. Flanagan:

Enclosed is a program which we have worked up for a Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright. We feel like this is a very important meeting both to us and to Houston.

We want both you and your wife to be sure to come and we hope that you will tell Doctor Wright's many friends in the Chamber about it so that they all can attend also.

With all good wishes for the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

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HOUSTON 1, TEXAS

January 11, 1949

OPERATING DIVISION

Dr. John Roberts Phillips
407 Medical Arts Building
Houston 2, Texas

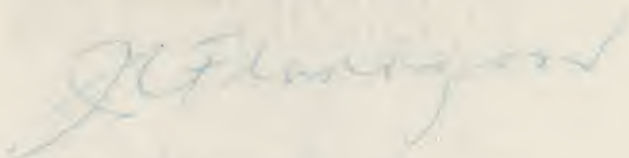
Dear Dr. Phillips:

Thank you for sending me the program for a Salute of Honor to Dr. Elva A. Wright. I hope that Mrs. Flanagan and I will be able to attend although I may have to be out of the city on that date.

I am writing a letter today to the other members of the Public Health Committee, sending them a copy of the program honoring Dr. Wright and requesting that they attend if possible.

May I say that I look forward with pleasure to serving with you on the Public Health Committee for the year 1949.

Sincerely,



J. C. Flanagan, Chairman
Public Health Committee

JCF:MH

January 4, 1949

Doctor R. L. Yelderman
Rosenberg, Texas.

Dear Doctor Yelderman:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright". We hope that you and Mrs. Yelderman will come over for this meeting.

On the following evening Doctor Richard Overholt is going to talk before the Harris County Medical Society, giving a Phi Chi lecture at the Baylor University Auditorium at 8:00 P.M. on "Cancer of the Lung". At 8:00 A. M. on Wednesday, January 19, 1949, he is going to hold a conference on interesting cases, at the Tuberculosis Hospital.

I hope that you will be able to come over for these occasions and I will appreciate it if you will let me know how Mr. Louis L. Polka of Rosenberg, Texas, who had the lymph gland in the chest removed, is getting along. I trust that all of the other patients are doing nicely.

With all good wishes to you and yours
for the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 4, 1949

Doctor Ernest Wright
c/o Wright Hospital and Clinic
2407 N. Main St.
Houston, Texas.

*Wright
Hospital*

Dear Doctor Wright:

Enclosed is a program for the "Salute of
Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright".

Doctor Richard Overholt is going to give the
clinical lecture on January 18, 1949 at 8:00 P.M. for this
occasion and on the following evening, January 19, 1949 at
8:00 P.M. he will talk before the Harris County Medical Society,
giving a Phi Chi Lectureship on "Cancer of the Lung". Both of
these meetings will take place at the Baylor University Auditorium.

I will appreciate it if you will publish this so that
the members of your Staff can be present for both occasions. Both
meetings will be open and any others who are interested in this
field are certainly most welcome.

With best wishes for a happy and prosperous new
year

Sincerely yours,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:M

January 4, 1949

Mr. Frank ^W. Guthrie,
1652 North Blvd.
Houston, Texas.

Dear Mr. Guthrie:

I certainly appreciate your giving your time to meet with us in behalf of the Salute of Honor that we are giving Doctor Elva A. Wright.

Enclosed is a program which we have worked up. We feel like this is a very important meeting both to us and to Houston. We want you and your file to be sure to come and we hope that you will tell Doctor Wright's many friends in the Committee about it so that they all can attend also.

With all good wishes for the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M.D,
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 12, 1949

Doctor Wendell H. Hamrick,
Union National Bank Bldg.
Houston, Texas.

Dear Doctor Hamrick:

Enclosed is a copy of the letter written
to Mr. Sam Johnson.

I am sending this to you relatively to
our phone conversation regarding program for Doctor Wright.

Yours sincerely

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.
Chairman, Program Committee

George Hodell, M.D.

JRP:m

January 5, 1949

Mr. Sam Johnson,
Room 212
City Hall
Houston, Texas.

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright". This program has come about in the following way-

Several years ago, Miss Mae Aldrich, Superintendent of the Tuberculosis Hospital asked Doctor Wright if she would have a portrait painted to hang in the hospital. Doctor Wright, in her little modest way, never did get this done until Miss Aldrich talked to several members of the Staff about it and felt that she should do this, and after some other members on the staff made pressure upon it, she finally did have the lovely portrait painted and showed it to some of the members, whereupon, the members felt like we should pay a tribute of honor to her and work out a program. Doctor H.T.Barkle, President of the Staff appointed a committee to go ahead with the working up of the program and after consulting with Judge R.H.Spencer, Chairman of the Board, who thought it was a splendid idea, and urged that this be done, consequently the enclosed program has been arranged.

In addition, Doctor Wright has another presentation to make. She has set aside in her will a fund for Post Graduate study in tuberculosis. It was felt that this should be announced, and although she was a little hesitant to do it, we felt that many other people would be anxious to contribute to this fund so that it would grow or that someone may want to start another fund. This presentation will be given to the Texas Medical Center it was discussed with Doctor E.W.Bertner, it's President and the method in which it is to be used is so stipulated and so worded that there can be no mistake about the management of it even in the next twenty or twenty-five years.

The portrait, of course, will be hung in the new Tuberculosis Hospital upon its completion, which project starts this year, ~~being~~ according to the Mayor's announcement just before Christmas at the Tuberculosis Hospital.

It is interesting to see how these things do go over. Following an announcement before one of the Women's Clubs in the last few days, they voted one hundred dollars to be added to this fund.

We felt that a man of national and international recognition in the field of tuberculosis and chest diseases should be selected to give the clinical part of the program, consequently Doctor Richard H. Overholt of Boston, Mass. was selected to do this. He is President of the American College of Chest Physicians and the title of his lecture will be "Surgery's Place in the Treatment of Pulmonary Tuberculosis".

Trusting that this is the information which you desire and with all good wishes for the coming year, I am

Yours sincerely

John Roberts Phillips M.D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

SPECIAL NOTICE

To the members of the Medical Staff,
Houston Tuberculosis Hospital:

The regular Clinical Conference of Tuesday morning, January 18, 1949, has been postponed until Wednesday morning, January 19, 1949, in order that Dr. Richard Overholt, President, American College of Chest Physicians, can meet with us.

Breakfast will be served at 7:30.

Please try to be with us.

Please note also that a program - "A Salute of Honor" - has been prepared in honor of Dr. Elva A. Wright, to be held at Baylor University at 8:00 P.M. on January 18th. Dr. Overholt, the guest speaker, will talk on "Surgery's Place in the Treatment of Pulmonary Tuberculosis." It is hoped that you, your wives, and friends will attend this meeting.

Howard Barkley
Howard Barkley, M.D., Chairman
MEDICAL STAFF
HOUSTON TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

HB:rh

January 5, 1949

Doctor W. D. Anderson
San Angelo, Texas

Dear Doctor Anderson:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright". In addition, Doctor Richard Overholt will hold a conference at the Tuberculosis Hospital Wednesday morning, January 19, 1949 at 8:00. On that evening he will talk before the Harris County Medical Society on "Cancer of the Lung". I hope you will be able to come over for these meetings.

With all good wishes for the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 5, 1949

Mrs. George J. Bennett
~~Fourth Vice President~~
Save-A-Life League
2412 Arbor
Houston, Texas

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Dear Mrs. Bennett:

It certainly made me feel mightly happy to know that your Club had voted one hundred dollars to the fund which Doctor Elva A. Wright is setting up for Post Graduate study in tuberculosis.

The presentation will be made to the Texas Medical Center on the evening of the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright", January 18, 1949. Enclosed is a program in case you have not received one.

Please come and ask your friends to come.

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

RUGELEY & BLASINGAME CLINIC AND HOSPITAL
WHARTON, TEXAS

F. J. L. BLASINGAME, M. D.

January 27, 1949

Dr. John Robert Phillips
407 Medical Arts Bldg.
Houston 2, Texas

Dear Dr. Phillips:

My sincere apology for the oversight on my part not to have written you concerning the invitation which you sent me for the program to be held honoring Dr. Elva A. Wright.

It so happened that circumstances arose here at home so that I was unable to be out of the city on the night of the program. However, I recall your kind offer to attend this meeting with you. I had intended to call or wire you concerning this matter. It slipped my mind. I want to tell you that I am grateful for your thoughtfulness and should have let you hear from me before now. I apologize. I hope that the program was altogether successful and that you had a very good day.

Gratefully and sincerely yours,

F. J. L. Blasingame
F. J. L. Blasingame, M. D.

FJLB:mh

January 5, 1949

Mr. and Mrs. Banks G. Moreland
5810 Bayou Bend
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Moreland:

Enclosed is a program to the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright". This meeting will be held on January 18, 1949 at Baylor University Additorium at 8:00 P.M.

On the following evening, January 19, 1949 at 8:00 P.M. at the Baylor University Auditorium, Doctor Richard Overholt will talk before the Harris County Medical Society. His subject will be "Cancer of the Lungs".

Doctor Overholt is an excellent speaker and we certainly hope that you will both attend these meetings.

With best wishes for the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 5, 1949

Doctor John T. Moore
821 Medical Arts Bldg.
Houston, Texas

Dear Doctor Moore:

The Staff Board of Governors at the Tuberculosis Hospital instructed us to go ahead with the program for the Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright.

Enclosed is a program. Doctor Richard Overholt is the guest speaker and he will also appear at the tuberculosis hospital at 7:30 A. M. Wednesday, January 19, 1949, at which time we hold a surgical conference.

At 12:00 noon he will appear at the Kiwanis Club luncheon program and we would like for you to sit at the head table.

Wednesday evening, January 19, 1949 at the Baylor University Auditorium he will appear, giving one of the Phi Chi lectureships, the title to be "Cancer of the Lung". We trust you will be able to attend.

With all good wishes for the new year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 5, 1949

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn McCarthy
c/o Shamrock Hotel
Main at Bellaire
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. and Mrs. McCarthy:

Enclosed is a program to the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright". This meeting will be held on January 18, 1949 at the Baylor University Auditorium at 8:00 P. M.

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Doctor Overholt is an excellent speaker and we certainly hope that you both will attend these meetings.

With very best wishes for the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

GLENN H. McCARTHY
SHELL BUILDING
HOUSTON 2, TEXAS

January 13, 1949

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
407 Medical Arts Building
Houston, Texas

Dear Sir:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your invitation to the program at the Baylor University Auditorium, January 18, 1949.

I regret that I will be out of the state on this date, and cannot attend this fine program.

Sincerely yours,

Glenn H. McCarthy
Glenn H. McCarthy

January 5, 1949

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Sieferth
c/o The Shamrock Hotel
Main at Bellaire
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Sieferth:

Enclosed is a program to the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright". This meeting will be held on January 18, 1949 at the Baylor University Auditorium at 8:00 P.M.

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Doctor Overholt is an excellent speaker and we certainly hope that you both will attend these meetings.

With very best wishes for the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 4, 1949

Doctor Hutton A. Shearer
President
Dental & Medical Society
Medical Arts Bldg.
Houston, Texas.

Dear Doctor Shearer:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of
Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright".

We would appreciate it if you will announce
this to your Society and invite as many to come as possible.
We feel like this will be a fine program.

Medical and Dental Societies are so closely
connected that this field of tuberculosis is one which affects
all of us. On the following evening of January 19, 1949
Doctor Richard Overholt will talk before the Harris County
Medical Society, giving a Phi Chi lecture and his subject
that evening will be "Cancer of the Lungs". Anyone interested
in this is certainly welcome to attend.

With best wishes for the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 5, 1949

Mr. Ben Taub
909 Franklin Ave.
Houston, Texas.

Dear Mr. Taub:

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With very best wishes for the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.
Chairman, Program Committee

January 8, 1949

Mrs. Sidney Suhler
President, Woman's Forum
2207 Commonwealth St.
Houston, Texas.

Dear Mrs. Suhler:

Doctor Elva A. Wright told me that your Club has voted a donation to the fund which she has set up for Post Graduate study in Tuberculosis. This is certainly a fine thing and we are hopeful that this fund will grow and grow.

We certainly want to give due recognition to your Club and I am asking Doctor Bertner to announce this at the time that he accepts Doctor Wright's contribution. If you could give me the amount, I certainly will be most grateful.

With all good wishes

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.
George Modell, M. D.
Chairman, Program Committee

January 5, 1949

Mr. and Mrs. I.B.Kahn,
3222 N. Mac Gregor Dr.,
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Kahn:

Enclosed is a program to the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright". This meeting will be held on January 18, 1949 at Baylor University Auditorium at 8:00 P.M.

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With best wishes for the coming year

Yours sincerely

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 11, 1949

Mr. O.O. Hilbun
St. Bd of Vocational Educational Rehabilitation
Mellie Esperson Bldg.,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Mr. Hilbun:

Enclosed is a program of the "Salute of
Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright".

Doctor Richard Overholt of Boston, Mass.,
outstanding chest surgeon, will be the Guest Speaker on
January 18, 1949 at 8:00 P.M. at Baylor University Auditorium
and will talk on "Surgery's place in the Treatment of Pulmonary
Tuberculosis". On the following evening at the Baylor Univer-
sity Auditorium at 8:00 P.M. he is going to speak before the
Harris County Medical Society on "Cancer of the Lungs" this
being a Phi Chi Lecture. We feel that these are going to be
very interesting programs, and hope that you and your wife will
be able to attend.

I am enclosing a dozen copies of the program
and will appreciate it if you will distribute them to ones
who are interested in this field. Both meetings are open
and everyone interested is condially invited to attend.

With very best wishes for the new year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.
Chairman, Program Committee

George Hodell, M.D.

JRP:m

P.S. The extra copies of program will be mailed
under separate cover.

J. W. NIXON, M. D.
1121 NIX PROFESSIONAL BLDG.
SAN ANTONIO

January 6, 1949

Dr. John Roberts Phillips
407 Medical Arts Building
Houston 2, Texas

Dear John Roberts:

Thank you for the invitation to the meeting to be given in honor of Dr. Elva A. Wright. I should certainly like to be present on that occasion. It is very fitting that you people should pay tribute to someone who has done so much in her line of work. She certainly has been an outstanding character and deserves the honor that you plan to bestow upon her.

Looking forward to seeing you and with my kindest personal regards for the New Year, I am

Sincerely yours,

*Just a
Invitation*
J. W. Nixon, M. D.

JWN:mm

TEXAS TUBERCULOSIS ASSOCIATION

208 EAST NINTH STREET

AUSTIN, TEXAS

TELEPHONE 8-8775



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January 14, 1949

Dr. John Roberts Phillips
Medical Arts Building
Houston, Texas

Dear Phillips:

I regret very much indeed that I shall not be able to accept your kind invitation to your buffet supper, as I shall not arrive in Houston until the 6:40 P. M. plane just in time for the evening meeting. However, I am looking forward to the pleasure of seeing you at that time.

Sincerely,

Elliott Mendenhall, M.D.

EM/mp

January 6, 1949

Mrs. Carlos R. Hamilton,
President
Harris County Medical Society Women's Auxiliary
3615 Del Monte Drive
Houston, Texas

Dear Mrs. Hamilton:

You are invited to a "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright" to be held on January 18, 1949 at the Baylor School of Medicine, Houston, Texas 8:00P.M.

A lovely portrait of Doctor Wright will be presented to the Houston Tuberculosis Hospital and notice of a scholarship fund for Post Graduate study in Tuberculosis, which Doctor Wright is bequeathing will be made.

Doctor Richard Overholt of Brookline, Mass. will be the guest speaker of the evening. Doctor Overholt's topic will be "Surgery's Place in the Treatment of Pulmonary Tuberculosis".

On the following evening, January 19, 1949 at 8:00 P.M. at the Baylor University Auditorium Doctor Overholt will talk on "Cancer of the Lungs". This will be a Phi Chi Lecture and we hope that you will be able to attend. Please announce these meetings to others who may be interested in this field so that they may attend also.

With best wishes for the coming year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 8, 1949

Doctor Wilson Albert Harrison
University of Texas School of Medicine
Galveston, Texas

Dear Doctor Harrison:

Doctor Richard Overholt of Boston, Mass.
is going to be in Houston on January 18, 1949 to give
a Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright. At 7:30
the following morning, the 19th, at the Tuberculosis
Hospital he is going to hold a surgical conference and on
the evening of the 19th, at 8:00 he will talk on "Cancer of
the Lungs" at the Baylor University Auditorium. This will
be a Phi Chi lecture.

You are invited to attend and I hope that
other members of your Faculty and Student Body will be able
to come up.

With all good wishes

Yours sincerely

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.
George Hodell, M.D.
Chairman, Program Committee

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Dr. John Roberts Phillips
407 Medical Arts Building
Houston 2, Texas

Dear Dr. Phillips:

Thank you very much for the program honoring Dr. Elva A. Wright. I certainly think that it is fine that you will introduce Dr. Overholt to the group. He is an outstanding thoracic surgeon and it is mighty nice that he will be in Houston as the speaker. I certainly shall make every effort to attend the program.

Tell your wife "hello" for me and I certainly hope I will have the opportunity of seeing you soon.

Very best regards,

G. V. Brindley, Jr.

G. V. Brindley, Jr., M. D.

GVBjr/11

*No letter
Just Program.*

DR. W. M. BRUMBY
PERIODIC HEALTH EXAMINATIONS
UNITED GAS BLDG.
CAPITOL 7618
HOUSTON, TEXAS

January 11, 1949

Mr. Sam Johnson
City Hall
Houston, Texas

Dear Sir:

Dr. John Roberts Phillips requested me to give you a few pointers on the early history of the Texas Tuberculosis Association and the remarkable work done by Dr. Elva A. Wright in its incipency, and throughout the years.

The association was organized by 60 delegates from Texas on the train en route to the International Congress on Tuberculosis in Washington in September, 1908. I was elected President and Dr. Louis Bibb, Secretary. For two years, we made an earnest effort to sell the Christmas seals from the State Health office in Austin, which was not very lucrative until local associations were organized.

Dr. Wright organized the Harris County Association November 11, 1911, one of the first in the State to handle the Seal sales, and her appeal to the press and the public was so successful that she has held the office of President ever since.

She was elected President Emeritus of the State Tuberculosis Association at the Houston meeting in 1946 because of her outstanding work, not only in the Christmas Seal sales, but of having established an X-Ray mobile micro-film unit under Dr. R. Alec Brown's direction, with a corps of nurses with adequate training in tuberculosis, which resulted in examining over 100,000 individuals in the past three years. In one industry 3,000 persons being examined in three days. At Jeff Davis Hospital, 6,000 chests were X-Rayed with the 14 x 17 film, at the association's request, and reports made to some 235 doctors for further study.

Mr. Johnson, I hope you can also give us something definite about the two million dollar tuberculosis hospital that our Mayor told me recently of being in the offing.

Yours sincerely,

WMB/1f

Dr. W. M. Brumby

*Copy
Dr. Phillips, please
this cover the history
sufficiently to Dr. Brumby*

January 7, 1949

Mrs. J.W.Grogin
Vice President
Save-A-Life Club
1908 Binz,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Mrs. Grogin:-

I think it was just lovely your your
Club to vote a one hundred addiont to Doct Elva A.
Wright's fund, and others are likewise doing to do this,
according to my understanding.

I have asked Doctor E.W.Bertner, who
will accept this fund for the Texas Medical Center, to
give due recognition to every one who is adding to make
this fund grow and grow.

I congratulate you on your splenddid work
as National Chairman of the Tuberculosis Drive in the
past two years.

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.
Chair, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 5, 1949

Mr. and Mrs. L.E. Grissom,
2604 Ella Lee Lane,
Houston 19, Texas.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Grissom:

Enclosed is a program to the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright". This meeting will be held on January 18, 1949 at Baylor Auditorium at 8:00 P.M.

On the following evening, January 19, 1949 at 8:00 P.M. at the Baylor Auditorium, Doctor Richard H. Overholt of Boston, Mass. Will talk before the Harris County Medical Society. His subject will be "Cancer of the Lungs". Doctor Overholt is an excellent speaker and we certainly hope that you will both attend these meetings. I will appreciate it if you will tell the other girls in your office about it and they will be able to attend also.

Thank you for your lovely Christmas card, and with all good wishes for the coming year, I am

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.
Chairman, Program Committee

JRP:m

January 8, 1949

Honorable Albert Thomas
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Albert:

Thank you for your New Year Greeting.

Enclosed is a program to the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright". I know that you know her and if by chance, any member of your family or any of your friends will be in Houston at that time, please come.

With very best wishes for the year

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.

JRP:m

ALBERT THOMAS
EIGHTH DISTRICT
HOUSTON, TEX.

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House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

January 12, 1949

Dear Doc:

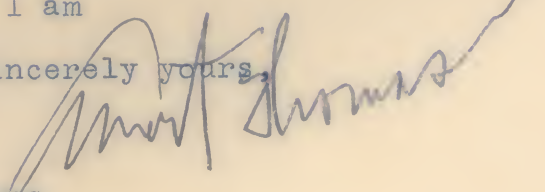
Thanks a million for your
kind invitation of January 8, honoring
Dr. Elva A. Wright on the eighteenth.

I regret that it will not
be possible for me to be in Houston at
that time. This is a well-deserved
recognition of her outstanding service
to humanity.

If there is any foot-work
here in Washington I can do for you, or
anyone in whom you are interested, please
do not hesitate to let me know.

With every good wish and
warm personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,



Dr. John Roberts Phillips
407 Medical Arts Building
Houston 2, Texas



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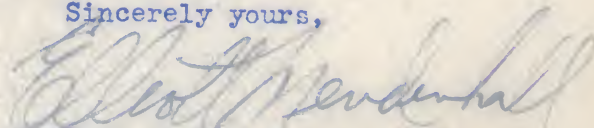
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Dr. John Roberts Phillips
407 Medical Arts Building
Houston 2, Texas

Dear Dr. Phillips

I expect to be there for the meeting next Tuesday evening at 8:00 P. M. If it is at all possible, I should like to stay over for the conference at the Tuberculosis Hospital the following morning. I expect to be at the Rice Hotel.

Sincerely yours,



Elliott Mendenhall, M. D.

EM/mp

January 12, 1949

Doctor Elliott Mendenhall
Medical Arts Bldg.
Dallas, Texas

Dear Doctor Mendenhall:

I certainly appreciate your letter today and am so happy that you could come. I hope that Mrs. Mendenhall will come also.

We are going to have a buffet supper at our home at 5:30 honoring Doctor Elva A. Wright and Doctor Richard Overholt and we will certainly want you to be present for that. As soon as you get in, I will appreciate it if you will call me at my office, Preston 9269.

We will be looking forward to seeing you and with best wishes

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.

JRP:m

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January 11, 1949

Dr. John Roberts Phillips
Dr. George Hodell
Chairmen, Program Committee
407 Medical Arts Bldg.
Houston 2, Texas

Gentlemen:

Your letter of January 8, 1949, addressed to Mr. Warren S. Bellows regarding the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright", has been referred to me.

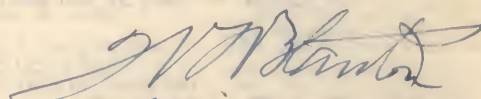
The program which is planned honoring Doctor Wright is, in my estimation, a fine gesture of appreciation for her years of outstanding service.

The Chamber's weekly publication, ACTION, carried a story on the Salute to Doctor Wright in the issue of January 8th. This publication is distributed throughout the membership of the Chamber of Commerce.

I am enclosing a copy of the issue of ACTION in which the story appeared and I trust that it will meet with your approval.

With every best wish believe me to be

Cordially yours,



Executive Vice President

WNBlanton:gg

Dr. Elva A. Wright To Be Honored at Program

The public health committee of the Houston Chamber of Commerce will join with other medical and health groups to honor Dr. Elva A. Wright, a long-time member of the committee, at a program January 18 in the auditorium of Baylor University College of Medicine.

Dr. John Roberts Phillips, chairman of the program committee for the "Salute of Honor" to Doctor Wright, invited the cooperation of the Chamber group in the event. Dr. Denton Kerr, president of the Harris County Medical Society, will be chairman of the meeting, and Dr. Richard Overholt will be principal speaker. Doctor Wright will be introduced by Judge R. H. Spencer. A picture of Doctor Wright will be presented to the Tuberculosis Hospital, and a scholarship fund for post-graduate work in tuberculosis will be presented by Doctor Wright. Mayor Oscar Holcombe will accept the picture, and Dr. E. W. Bertner will accept the scholarship fund.

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WEDNESDAY
January 19, 1949

NOON

THIRTY-FOURTH ANNIVERSARY OF KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL, JANUARY 17-22, 1949

SPEAKER: DR. RICHARD H. OVERHOLT, PRESIDENT, AMERICAN COLLEGE OF CHEST SURGEONS

SUBJECT: "MECHANICS OF SURGERY AND GOOD HEALTH"

CHAIRMAN: DR. JOHN ROBERTS PHILLIPS

MUSIC: MISS ANGELA ZAMMITTI - OF SUEZ, EGYPT, WILL GIVE SOPRANO SOLOS,
ACCOMPANIED BY CURTIS M. SMITH

RECEPTION AND FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE: IRA C. JENKINS, CAPTAIN; A. E. RIEDEL, CO-CAPTAIN;
ROBERT F. STRANGE, JOHN L. LEWIS, LEE M. WEBB, ROY P. ECHLSON, RAYMOND J. BALDWIN.

CLUB OBSERVANCE OF 34TH ANNIVERSARY OF KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL: Wednesday at our Luncheon, CLYDE J. VERHEYDEN, Chairman of our Kiwanis Education Committee, will direct our attention to this observance, giving a brief outline of the purposes of it.

INTER-CLUB RELATIONS MEETING WITH GREATER NORTH HOUSTON, JANUARY 20: Still with Kiwanis International's 34th Anniversary in mind, our Inter-Club Relations Committee is sponsoring a meeting with the Kiwanis Club of Greater North Houston next Thursday, January 20th, 12:15 Noon at the St. Marks Methodist Church, 600 Pecore Street. CLYDE J. VERHEYDEN will be the principal speaker for this program and his address will be in connection with the Observance of Kiwanis International's anniversary. All members of the Inter-Club Relations Committee are urged to attend, but every member of our Club is given a hearty invitation to attend by our Inter-Club group and the Kiwanis Club of Greater North Houston. Let's back our Inter-Club Relations Committee up with a large representation from our Club and also give Speaker VERHEYDEN the "moral" support he so richly deserves! Your presence will be appreciated.

PERSONALS: O. H. CARLISLE, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Shrine Crippled Children's Clinic made the announcement that plans are for a 277 bed institution to be built in the Texas Medical Center....L. L. KEMP, a veteran member of the Chamber of Commerce Highway group will prepare a Resolution to John S. Redditt, who resigned as Chairman of the State Highway Commission, January 1, 1949 - for his outstanding services to the State Highway Department....We regret to learn of the passing of FRANK M. FANNIN'S grandmother...Her funeral service were held last Wednesday in Marlin, Texas. She was 101 years of age at her passing and one of the oldest white residents known in that part of the country...The WALTER MOORES are anticipating an interesting two-week business-pleasure trip to New York City. They left Saturday. We shall miss "100%-er" WALTER at our next two meetings, but we wish them "bon voyage"! The following Kiwanians will serve with the Sam Houston Area Council- some on the Executive Board, of the Boy Scouts of America: DR. HERBERT L. ALEXANDER, L. H. ALLEN, JOHN C. ARCHER, CLAUD B. BARRETT, C. N. (JOE) BROOKS, DUNBAR N. CHAMBERS, ERNEST COCKRELL, JR., DR. CLAUD C. CODY III, DR. J. CHAS. DICKSON, JAMES A. ELKINS, JR., J. P. HAMBLIN, DR. ALLEN C. HUTCHESON, LOUIS W. KEMP, ED KILMAN, REV. CHAS. L. KING, J. W. MILLS, W. E. MORELAND, LOYAL L. NEILMS, SYDNOR ODEN, ANTOINE L. PETERSON, J. STEWART PLOWDEN, RUSSELL SCOTT, CURTIS M. SMITH, HOWARD TELLEPSEN, FRANK A. WATTS, HARRY C. WEBB, EWING WERLEIN and KNOX E. WRIGHT.

Thank you for your
invitation for a buffet
supper Tuesday Jan 17
1949 at 5.30 P. M. We
accept with great
pleasure.

D. & Mrs. Stalwarts -

Jan-13-49-

Dr. J. R. Phillips-

Dear Dr. Phillips:

you

regard to your letter of
Jan 8th -; we do not have
the information asked
for, that is - the amount

of our gift to the Dr.
Wright fund. The
board of the Woman's
Forum will meet early
in Feb- and will act
on this matter at that
time. We do not have
a great deal of money

but wish to honor Mr.
Wright, so we will
do the best we can -
Some of us will be
on hand Tuesday
night
Cordially
Maye Sukler
(over)

Mrs. Sidney A. Sukler

Mrs. Paul R. Stalnaker

January 13, 1949

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.
407 Medical Arts Building,
Houston 2, Texas

Dear Doctor Phillips:

Thank you very much for your recent letter and the enclosed program. It is with genuine regret that I find it impossible to be present at this well deserved testimonial meeting for Doctor Wright.

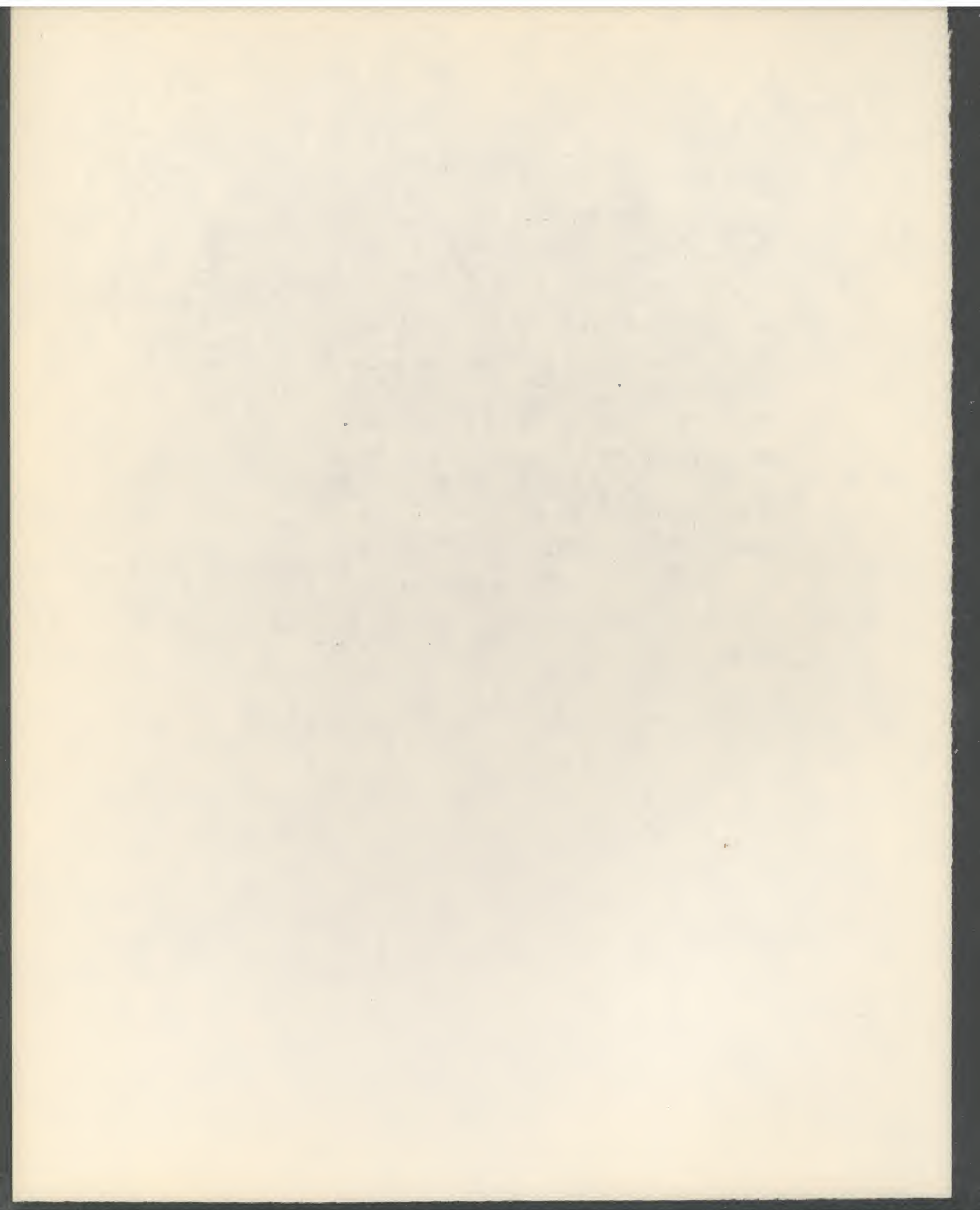
In my opinion, Doctor Wright has contributed more to the public health in Texas than any individual, and I am pleased that public appreciation is being demonstrated, during her active career.

Kindest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

Edwin G. Faber, M.D.

EGF:yk



January 15, 1949

G.V. Brindley, M.D.
President
State Medical Association of Texas
Scott & White Clinic
Temple, Texas

Dear Doctor Brindley:

Please accept this letter as your formal invitation to attend the "Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright", in Houston, Texas, at the Baylor University Auditorium, on January 18, 1949 at 8:00 P.M.

It was an oversight, certainly, that you did not receive a letter of invitation, along with the program, forwarded to you previously. I sincerely regret this inadvertence, and trust that you will find it possible to attend this meeting.

With all good wishes,

Fraternally yours,,

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.

JRP/rs

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January 17, 1949

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407 Medical Arts Building
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Dear Doctor Phillips:

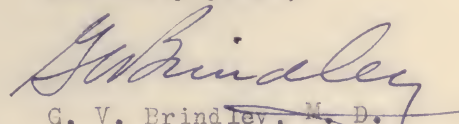
Your letter of January 15 was received yesterday morning. I am sorry that I put you to the trouble of writing this letter again, for it was unnecessary. However, I do appreciate the invitation to attend the Salute of Honor to Doctor Elva A. Wright.

Since returning to the hospital yesterday morning, I have checked over my work, hoping that I could make plans to come down to Houston for this meeting; however, it seems almost impossible for me to do so, so please accept my regrets, as much as I dislike having to write you that I cannot come.

The doctors of Houston have indeed been good to me, and I feel obligated to them. I trust that you will not hold it against me for not coming this time.

With every good wish,

Sincerely yours,


G. V. Brindley, M. D.

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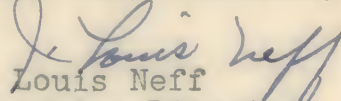
John Roberts Phillips, M. D.
407 Medical Arts Building
Houston 2, Texas

My dear Doctor Phillips:

I trust that you got my message of regret at my inability to be present at the Kiwanis Club luncheon on January 19, 1949. Unfortunately for my plans I had out of city guests arrive whom I could not leave. The early afternoon was occupied by the regular monthly meeting of our Executive Committee and two of my directors arrived to consult important matters concerning our program before the Executive Committee meeting convened.

It was quite a disappointment to me not to be able to meet Doctor Overholt and to join in honoring Doctor Wright. I hope that you will excuse me and will not forget me if another similar occasion presents itself.

Yours very sincerely,


J. Louis Neff
Executive Director

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February 3, 1949

Mr. J. Louis Neff
Executive Director
American Cancer Society

Dear Mr. Neff:

Thank you so much for your kind letter. I understand perfectly well why you could not get to the Kiwanis Club meeting and at the other meetings at which Doctor Richard Overholt talked.

He certainly gave us some very important things to think about. One of the things that I think we should do here in Houston is to instigate a mass x-ray survey of everyone so that we could pick up a lot of silent cancer of the lung as well as tuberculous and other lesions. This could be worked out in conjunction with the Anti-Tuberculosis League and I think that we should make this effort. A mass survey has already been made in many of the large cities, such as Minneapolis, as you know. The best time to get cancer of the lung as well as any cancer is while it is still in its silent stage.

With all good wishes

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M. D.

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THE INTRODUCTION OF DOCTOR RICHARD OVERHOLT

What an impressive sight this is to see this black of course in uniform. We immediately think of great women in the Medical and Nursing profession. The name of Florence Nightingale comes to our minds.

We are meeting together in this great University of Baylor and with its affiliate connections in various research, we think of another great woman, Helen Parkes. Tonight, we are gathered to honor still another great woman, our own Doctor Alice A. Wright.

Several years ago Doctor Wright was invited to have a portrait made so that it could be hung in the tuberculosis hospital. She had been invited to do this on several occasions but never did get around to doing so, however this year, the old Mrs. & lovely portrait painted and we felt that it was fitting that in selecting this picture for the hospital that Doctor Wright is entitled to a Salute of honor, consequently, this program has been arranged for her. We are really the ones who are receiving the great benefit because, in addition, she is setting up a fund which is being given to the Texas Medical Center for the Post Graduate work in Tuberculosis, and in addition upon a Guest Speaker for this occasion, naturally, we look to a man of national and international recognition, consequently, our Guest Speaker, Doctor Richard H. Overholt of Boston, Mass. was selected. He has done much in the

research field and has contributed much to Medical literature. His demands are many the merits there.

ELVA A. WRIGHT, M. D.
6340 BROMPTON
HOUSTON 5, TEXAS

January 27, 1949

Dr. and Mrs. John Roberts Phillips
and family
5806 Bayou Bend
Houston, Texas

Dear Dr. Phillips:

Until my dying day I will, with pleasure, recall the many instances you have enacted in my behalf in the past and especially on Tuesday, January 18th.

I have heard only praise of the management of the program. It was unique and very satisfying to the public.

I will see you soon again, and, in the meantime, my affections deepen. Thanks again for the orchid.

Sincerely,

Elva A. Wright
Elva A. Wright, M.D.

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February 4, 1949

Mrs. G.J.Bennett, President
Save-A-Life League
3339 Arbor St.,
Houston, Texas.

Dear M_rs. Bennett:

Thank you so much for your kind letter
of February 3, 1949.

Doctor Elva Wright is still just as
enthused as ever. I certainly would like to see the
film "City of Hope". She told me about it yesterday
and I will certainly appreciate it if you will let me
know when it is going to be shown again.

With all good wishes

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.

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SAVE-A-LIFE LEAGUE
Houston, Texas

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February 3, 1949

Dr. John Roberts Phillips, M.D.
407 Medical Arts Building
Houston 2, Texas.

Dear Dr. Phillips:

Thank you for your letter of January 5th expressing your appreciation of our contribution to Dr. Elva Wright's Fund for Post Graduate study in tuberculosis.

I wish you could have been at our inspiring meeting yesterday at which a report was made of the recent National Convention of the Save-A-Life League in Los Angeles, also a showing of the very moving film "City of Hope", starring Lew Ayres. There has been much interest expressed in another showing of this picture in Houston soon, and if you are interested, I shall be glad to let you know when and where that will be.

The new Year Book of the Save-A-Life League has been sent you under separate cover, in accordance with your request.

Thanking you for your interest, I am

Sincerely,

Mrs. G.J. Bennett
President

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February 16, 1949

Mr. Murray Kornfield, Secretary
American College of Chest Physicians
500 N. Dearborn St.,
Chicago 10, Ill.

Dear Murray:

This is a little resume of Doctor Elva Wright's Salute of Honor which I know you will want to print in the Disease of the Chest as a news item.

On January 19, 1949, a Salute of Honor was given to Doctor Elva A. Wright. Doctor Wright has been actively engaged in tuberculosis work all of her life. She came to Houston in 1910 and early recognized that tuberculosis was being inadequately managed, consequently in 1911 she organized the Houston Anti-Tuberculosis League, and has been its President every since. She is a meritorious President of the Texas Tuberculosis Association.

Doctor Wright had been asked to give a picture to hang in the Tuberculosis Hospital and later it will be hung in the new tuberculosis hospital which will be built this year. The picture was received by Mayor Oscar F. Holcombe.

Doctor Wright has set up in her will a fund of \$5,000.00 to be used in post-graduate study in tuberculosis. The fund was received for the Texas Medical Center by Doctor E.W. Bertner.

The Guest Speaker for the evening was Doctor Richard R. Overholt of Boston, Mass., whose subject was "Surgeon's Place in the Treatment of Pulmonary Tuberculosis".

Doctor John Roberts Phillips and Doctor George E. Hodell were in charge of the arrangements. The meeting was held at the Baylor University School of Medicine Auditorium.

It certainly was nice to see you and Judy down in Mexico. We enjoyed it very much. We went over to Acapulca for a few days and had a lovely time there.

Dan joins me in sending all good wishes

Yours sincerely,

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.

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AMERICAN COLLEGE OF CHEST PHYSICIANS
500 N. Dearborn St. Chicago 10, Illinois

January 4, 1949

John Roberts Phillips, M.D.
407 Medical Arts Building
Houston 2, Texas

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Dear Doctor Phillips:

Thank you for your kind letter of December 29. Judy and I are very happy to know that you and Dan will be going to Mexico City and we are looking forward with pleasure to seeing you there.

I am also happy to know that Dr. Richard Overholt will deliver several lectures in Houston on January 18 and 19 and I regret that it will not be possible for me to accept your kind invitation to be in Houston at the time of these meetings. I have to fly direct to Mexico City from Chicago prior to the opening of the Congress in order to assist in the advance arrangements for some of the sessions. This, of course, makes it impossible for me to be in Houston on the dates mentioned in your letter.

This morning we received a copy of the program for the meeting of the Texas Chapter of the College from Dr. Koerth and I note with pleasure that you are scheduled to present a paper on the program entitled "Carcinoma of the Lung in Children and Young Adults". I am sure that this is going to be an interesting meeting and it is quite possible that I will be able to attend and at that time meet all of my good friends in the great state of Texas.

Judy joins me in sending you, Dan and the children our very best wishes for the New Year and we are of course looking forward with a great deal of pleasure to seeing you in Mexico City.

Sincerely yours

Murray Kornfeld
Executive Secretary

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